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The Cadet Chapel at the Air Force Academy draws nearly a million visitors each year. Football season might be a good time to visit.

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## Fire ban lifted

Effective immediately, the Directorate of Public Works lifted the increased restrictions on Fort Carson concerning the fire ban. Open burning is still restricted. For more information, call Chief Verne Witham at 526-4343.

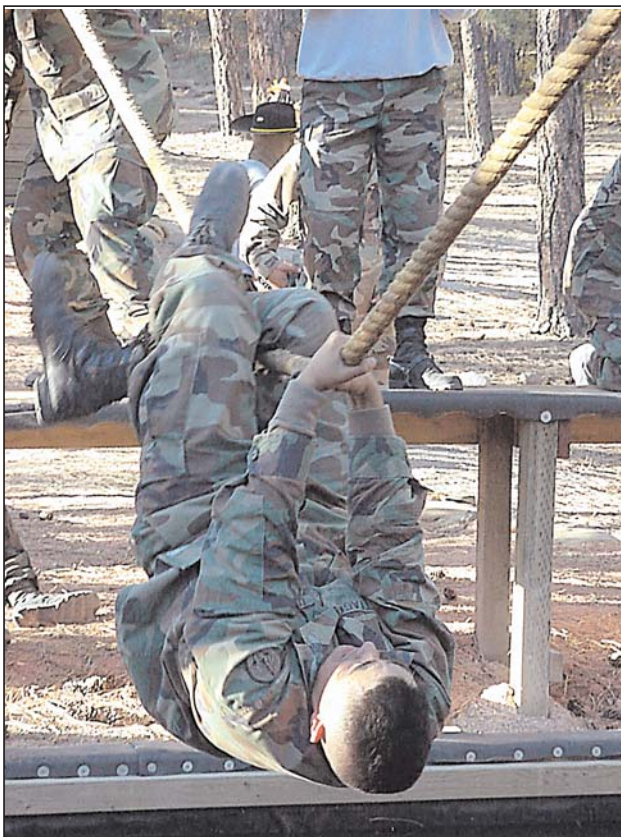


Photo by Spc. Jon Christoffersen

## Earning their spurs ...

Soldiers from 1st Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, had to successfully finish the obstacle course during the Spur Ride Oct. 10 at the Air Force Academy.

## CFC kicks off at Fort Carson today

Courtesy the Directorate of Community Activities

The Combined Federal Campaign kicks off at Fort Carson today and runs until Nov. 28. This year's theme is "What a difference a day can make."

There will be a ceremony to mark the beginning of the campaign at the Elkhorn Conference Center from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All members of the Fort Carson community are invited. More than 70 agencies will have information booths to distribute information about their services and how CFC donations will be used.

More than \$1.4 million was raised in last year's campaign. This year's goal is \$472,500, but more importantly to have 100 percent participation.

The annual CFC campaign makes it possible for agencies to provide services to people here in our community, as well as throughout the country and around the world.

The Army's goal for this year's campaign is \$2.64 million, said Tom Campbell, the acting director of Volunteer Programs and the Army's CFC representative. Last year's goal was \$2.6 million and the total collected was \$2.83 million.

There are more than 3,000 charities that federal employees can donate to through CFC. The Red Cross and Salvation Army are among the organizations listed in the CFC "Caring is Sharing" catalog, Campbell said. They were among the organizations that were seen days and weeks after Sept. 11, 2001, outside of the Pentagon supporting troops, he added.

*Editor's note: Portions of this article were taken from an article written by Staff Sgt. Marcia Triggs, Army News Service.*

## Oregon bosses tour Carson, learn about military

by Spc. Stacy Harris  
Mountaineer staff

A few of Oregon's employers got the chance to see a different part of soldier-civilians lives during a tour at Fort Carson Tuesday.

The Oregon Employer Support of the Guard and Reserves is an organization dedicated to improving support of the Armed Forces of the United States, the Reserves and the National Guard. The group toured Fort Carson, as well as Peterson Air Force Base, Schriever Air Force Base, North American Aerospace Defense Command and the Air Force Academy over a three-day period.

"I think it's important for employers who have their folks going off to know what they are

doing," said James J. Miller, president, office printing business, Xerox Corporation. "You don't realize what these folks do on their off hours."

Miller said many employers don't appreciate what these people do, and by making employers aware of the extra duties these soldier-civilians have, it gives them a little more consideration at work when there are conflicts.

Lynn Hicks, assistant superintendent, Brush Prairie Schools, said tours like these are important for her not only on a professional level, but also on a personal level, because she doesn't have much experience with the armed forces.



Photo by Spc. Stacy Harris

Gregory A. Blomgren, manager, Thompson Metal Fab., climbs out of a M1A2 Abrams Tank Tuesday during the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserves tour at Fort Carson. Static displays set up at 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment were part of the tour.

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Korea 50 years ago, Oct. 17-23, 1952

# ‘Operation Showdown,’ Chinese trapped at Sniper Ridge

by Jim Caldwell  
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — After a fake withdrawal by elements of the Republic of Korea from Sniper Ridge, the ROK 2nd Division trap the Chinese on the ridge as a part of Operation Showdown, 50 years ago this week in Korea.

Oct. 17-23 — On Oct. 17 the Eighth Army spokesman says that in the seven-day period of Oct. 8-14, U.N. troops killed an estimated 5,868 communists and wounded about 4,258 while capturing 60 prisoners.

Operation Showdown continues on the Triangle Hill complex. On Oct. 17, the 3rd Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment relieves the 2nd of the 31st in assaulting Pike’s Peak with its enemy-infested cave-and-tunnel complex. After a long, intense bombardment of the hill Oct. 18, L Company troops lead the 3rd of the 17th to the top, but then immediately dig in to fight off Red counterattacks.

Enemy attempts to regain the ridge begin in the early evening of Oct. 19. Four companies have been rushed in to help the defenders before the Peak is secured the morning of Oct. 20. Captured enemy troops reveal they had been ordered to fight to the death, but the survivors who cannot break American lines begin to rush off the hill. Artillery is called in on all the approach routes over which the Chinese have to take as they “bug out.”

A break in the action allows the 1st and 3rd Battalions, 32nd Infantry Regiment to relieve the 17th IR troops on Pike’s Peak.

A battalion of the 28th Regiment of the ROK 9th Infantry Division is fighting for possession of Hill 391, about seven miles northeast of White Horse Hill, which the division finally takes control of after a bloody battle with the Chinese on Oct. 16.

A strong enemy counterattack on Oct. 20 drives the South Koreans off 391. On Oct. 23 the ROK 51st IR counterattacks. In hand-to-hand fighting, they expel the Chinese again, and then they withdraw from

the hill.

Elements of the ROK 2nd Division, as part of Operation Showdown, are battling the Chinese for control of Sniper Ridge, east of Triangle Hill. On Oct. 22 they fake a withdrawal from the ridge, then trap the Chinese who rush in to take over the vacated positions. The South Koreans kill about 1,200 Chinese in the action.

On Oct. 20 Gen. Mark Clark, U.N. Supreme Commander, rejects a communist offer of Oct. 16 to return to the conference table, but without discussing the prisoner exchange issue.

It is “nothing more than the same old package,” Clark declares. The Reds’ approach, he says, has “created doubt in the minds of people everywhere concerning the sincerity of your expressed desire for an end to bloodshed in Korea.” Only something “new or constructive” on exchange of prisoners will bring the United Nations back to Panmunjom.

B-29 Super Fortresses bomb an enemy unit headquarters near Yangdok and then hit troop areas around Pyongyang and Kunu on Oct. 20. They return Oct. 22 and smash a lead and zinc mine at Okung in north-western Korea.

The Navy announces Oct. 21 that seven men were killed when communist shore batteries hit the destroyer Lewis Oct. 14.

Oct. 20 — South Korea President Syngman Rhee decides to respond publicly to growing U.S. sentiment that ROK troops take over the fight against the Reds. He says the ROK Army is not yet strong enough to take on the North Koreans and Chinese by itself, but “it won’t take long to train our Korean boys.” He says results from the special training programs for the ROK Army created by Gen. James Van Fleet, Eighth Army commander, are “marvelous and a miracle.”

Oct. 21 — U.S. foreign aid in loans and gifts from mid-1945 to mid-1952 reaches \$38.1 billion, with \$5.7 billion earmarked for fiscal year 1953. Only \$3.1 billion have been repaid.

Nearly \$26 billion went to Western Europe over

Entek Corporation, said the simulator was his favorite part of the tour, but “this display of equipment (at the motor pool) is pretty impressive. It just blows me away.”

Miller also said he enjoyed the CCTT simulators. “I am amazed at how cramped the quarters are in

these vehicles,” he said. “We got killed (in the simulators), but I was amazed at how simple it (the movements) was, but coordinating between the three of us was a nightmare.”

Members of the tour group said they were impressed with the information received on the Fort Carson tour. While the tour at Fort Carson ended, it was only the beginning to these employers as they prepared to tour the Air Force bases, continuing to learn about the ever-increasing importance of the National Guard and Reserve and the role these forces

Lynn Hicks,  
assistant superintendent,  
Brush Prairie Schools

play in national defense.

the seven years. Britain received the most, almost \$7.2 billion, including a special \$3.75 special postwar loan. Even Russia and other countries no longer U.S. friends shared in more than \$1 billion soon after the war.

Oct. 22 — A Pentagon spokesman says 963 American casualties in Korea that were added to this week’s total are the highest for a seven-day period since July 2. The number through Oct. 17 now stands at 122,117, with 21,377 killed.

Clark announces that tours for rear-area troops in Korea will be lengthened, but frontline soldiers will not have to serve the extra half-month recently added to their nine-month combat tours by the Pentagon. Combat troops need 36 points to rotate out of Korea, and they earn four points a month. Defense Secretary Robert A. Lovett said the ordering increasing combat tours was the result of a misunderstanding.

Oct. 23 — Van Fleet states that South Korea will never have enough soldiers to hold off the communists. They need troop reinforcement, technical and logistics help to defeat both enemies.

British Prime Minister Winston Churchill briefs the House of Commons on the Oct. 3 atomic bomb test in islands near Australia. The ship carrying the bomb was “vaporized.” The bomb generated one million degrees of heat and “thousands of tons” of water, along with rocks and mud from the sea bed, were blasted “thousands of feet in the air and a tidal wave was caused.”

Churchill thinks now that the United Kingdom has joined the nuclear club, there should be “much closer American interchange.”

British Marines arrive in Mombasa, Kenya, to join British soldiers and local police in fighting Mau Mau (Hidden One) terrorists. The Mau Maus have killed 50 people so far, including whites and members of various tribes.

*Editor’s note: Jim Caldwell is a senior correspondent for the TRADOC News Service.*

## Motorcycle safety tip ...

There is no “miracle pill,” no single trick guaranteeing everyone years of happy, accident-free motorcycling. After many years of riding motorcycles, these are the ones I find myself sharing most frequently.

### Traffic strategies

Avoid rush hour traffic in new cities. Pilots have to train for each airport. Don’t try to tackle a strange metropolis when everyone else is pressed for time.

Questions or comments can be directed to the installation motorcycle safety POC at 526-8040 or e-mail [Robert.Reynolds@Carson.army.mil](mailto:Robert.Reynolds@Carson.army.mil).

## Tour

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forces.

“I guess it makes the military more human to me,” Hicks said. “Behind all the military equipment and uniforms, the people are professionals and very personable.”

“It (the tour) ups my appreciation for what they do and what happens to them when they go on active duty,” she said.

While at Fort Carson, the tour group, consisting of about 45 people, toured the 7th Infantry Division Headquarters, tested the simulators at the Close Combat Tactical Trainer, and saw static displays of different military vehicles at the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment motor pool.

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# News

## Ribbon cutting marks opening of new Army building

by Maj. Laura Kenney  
Army Space Command Public  
Affairs

With a snip from a pair of large, oversized scissors, the star-spangled ribbon was divided in two, marking the opening of the new, long awaited, “home” for Army Space Command.

Officiating at the ceremony, held on Peterson Air Force Base Oct. 9, were Adm. James O. Ellis Jr., commander, U.S. Strategic Command, and Lt. Gen. Joseph M. Cosumano Jr., commander, U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command and U.S. Army Space Command, did the honors.

They symbolically opened the new headquarters by cutting the red, white and blue satin ribbon at the start of the sidewalk leading to the building. That walkway was lined with flags representing each of the 50 states.

Ground for the new 103,000 square-foot building was broken in July 2000. The building was completed on time and within budget in July.

Cosumano welcomed the large crowd composed of local dignitaries,

former commanders of Army Space Command, servicemembers from all branches and reporters.

“Today, which seemed a long time in coming, is a very significant day in the history of Army Space Command,” he said. “The two things that are of the most import about this magnificent facility are that, first, we are now physically located on a secure military installation. Secondly, we are now collocated within this Joint Space Complex alongside those other members of the joint space team charged with providing space support to the warfighter and our nation.”

Cosumano traced the history of the Army’s involvement in space, going back to 1943 with the establishment of the Ordnance Rocket Branch to manage the development of rockets. He cited the Army’s many accomplishments, which have earned it the justified fame and slogan of “First in Space.”

Bringing that history into modern times, Army Space Command’s commander spoke of contributions during



Photo by Maj. Laura Kenney

**The new home to Army Space Command, pictured here, was opened recently during a ribbon-cutting ceremony at Peterson Air Force Base.**

the Gulf War, through and including the Global War on Terrorism. Cosumano described the development of the concept for the building, which closely mirrored the growth of the Army’s increasingly larger role in space.

“Army Space (Command) soldiers have supported the full spectrum of military operations. Today, the soldiers

and civilians of Army Space (Command) are on the cutting edge of normalizing space support, serving the warfighter around the globe.

“Though small in number, approximately 600 soldiers and civilians — compare that to the five who started things back in 1986 — Army Space (Command) is there, 24/7, 365 days a

## Space

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year, to provide the warfighter and others the space support they need to effectively carry out the mission of defending this great nation, its allies and friends, from all enemies.

“From this location, we will continue providing space capabilities to the Objective Force. Space provides a global quality and element to any Force using it, and without space, any military is just a regional force. We will continue to ensure our nation’s security with these capabilities so vital to the prosecution of warfare in the 21st Century.

“Today is the dawn of a new day for Army Space (Command) as we cut the ribbon for this superb facility. This headquarters facility will have connectivity with all our space forces deployed around the globe and assist in integration with our sister commands and higher headquarters.”

On that note, the narrator introduced STRATCOM commander Ellis.

“To the people of this exceptional command and all those who went

before you pioneering in Army Space (Command), I say, ‘First indeed.’ I challenge you to maintain and hone the edge that space capabilities give our nation,” Ellis said.

“Today’s technological innovations allow us to fight on our own terms and decisively control the battlefield. The synergy created by the recent command restructuring adds to the global perspective of the domain of space. Strong component relationships will allow us to be both flexible and rigorous in the face of new challenges.

“These challenges are not unique to our times. Heavy armor, once the deciding factor in battle, fell to the creation of the longbow. Our challenge is to use the new technology in bold new ways, and Army Space Command is uniquely suited to do just that.

“You will meet the challenges. The future is ours, as long as we, using a naval saying, ‘Steer by the stars, and not by the wake behind you.’”

The admiral and the general then led the crowd into the new headquarters for another ceremony. This one honored a deceased space pioneer, Maj. Gen. John B. Medaris, who oversaw much of the early space program. He became the

first inductee to the Pioneer Conference Room, a space designated to honor those men and women who furthered the efforts of the Army in space.

A portrait of Medaris was unveiled in the lobby of Building Three by his daughter, Marta Smith. It was then carried into the Pioneer Room and hung, with the assistance of the Army Space and Missile Defense Command Soldier of the Year, Sgt. Robert Orndoff.

“My father had a real sense of history, and I can definitely speak for him when I say that he would be so very proud of all Army Space (Command) has accomplished, and proud that his portrait will hang here in this incredible building. He was very passionate about the defense of the nation, and what space could do towards that goal, and I salute each and every one of you for carrying on that goal,” said Smith.

A headquarters building for Army Space Command was officially requested in 1987, and the original concept called for it to be built on Fort Carson, with a 35,000 square-foot design. The building “grew” to its present dimensions of slightly more than 100,000 square feet due to the ever-increasing number and size of missions

that the Army performs in space.

“We’re very proud of this new building. It is without a doubt the most modern building in the Army inventory. And everything about it, from its design, to its color, to its location — make it a fitting home for a command that is of increasing importance to the Army and to the nation,” said Hugh Mason, Director of Public Works, Army Space Command.

Mason has been with the command since 1989, and has been a driving force on the new building project practically since its conception.

“Without a doubt, this is my ‘career project.’ People are very excited about moving into this building, and I am personally very, very proud to have been a part of it from the beginning. Now, to finally see it opening ...”

At a cost of \$26 million, the building will house all operational and administrative elements of Army Space Command located in Colorado Springs.

“One of the greatest aspects of this building is that we will be able to train, prepare and deploy operational assets, either for training or actual operations, right from the building to the airfield,” said Mason.

# Military

## *Spur Ride ...*

Soldiers from the 1st Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment make their way across the “monkey bars” during the squadrons’ Spur Ride. The Spur Ride is the event which soldiers have to complete in order to become a member of the Brotherhood of the Spur. According to Lt. Col. William Dolan, 1st Sdrn, 3rd ACR commander, 87 soldiers started the four-day event, but only 77 graduated.

“Attaining membership into the Brotherhood of the Spur is a highly coveted achievement for any cavalryman,” Dolan said. “The brotherhood embodies what cavalrymen aspire to be: aggressive, audacious (and) independent operators who put the esprit and camaraderie of the brotherhood ahead of all else ... that has made the cavalry reputation what it is today. Proud to be part of it, envious if you’re not.”

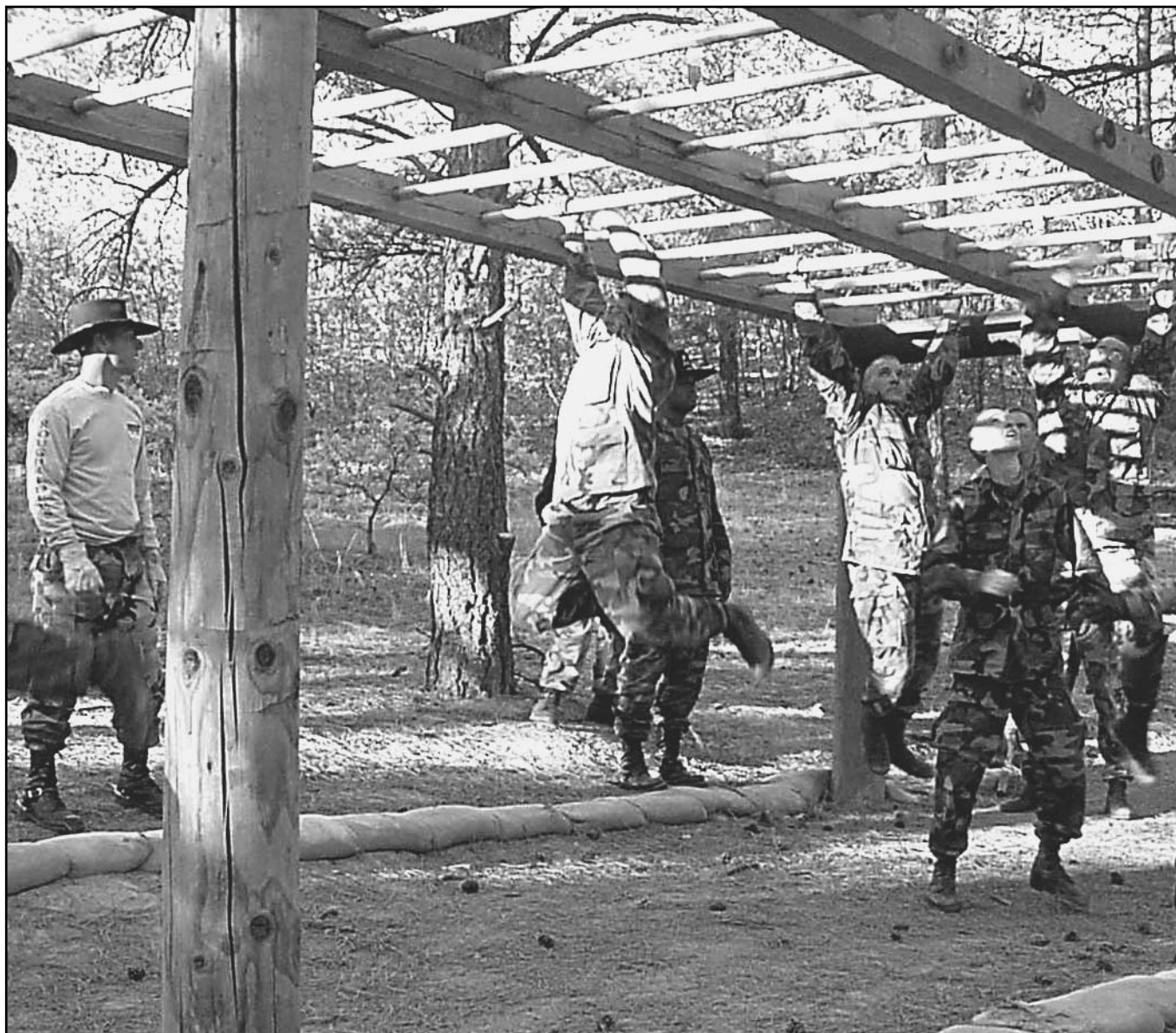


Photo by Spc. Jon Christoffersen

# Military Briefs

**Soldiers on profiles** — In accordance with Army Regulation 600-60, all soldiers with a P3 or P4 profile in any area of their body designators — Physical Capacity, Upper extremities, Lower extremities, Hearing, Eyes or Psychiatric — are required to appear before the Military Occupation Specialty/Medical Retention Board within 60 days of the signed approved profile. The purpose of this requirement is to maintain the quality of the force by ensuring the soldiers are physically qualified to perform their Primary Military Occupational Speciality worldwide under field conditions. Soldiers with a P3 or P4 profile are non-deployable as of the date the profile is completed. P3 or P4 soldiers are authorized reassignment, training at any U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command course or advancement course, or re-enlistment without appearance before the board. For more information, call Staff Sgt. Keith Cashion at 526-6530.

**Soldiers who converted from VEAP to MGIB** last year are reminded that it is their responsibility to individually check and ensure that they have paid the full \$2,700 within the required deadline, 18 months from the date entered on their DD Form 2366. Meeting this 18-month deadline is critical. Soldiers have no education benefits to utilize until the required \$2,700 is paid in full. Furthermore, soldiers who fail to pay the money in full by the deadline will forfeit all contributions made to that point and will not be eligible for any MGIB benefits.

Many soldiers have had problems with their local finance offices erroneously stopping the reduction in pay when it reached \$600 or \$12,009. In some cases, Finance refunded some payments to the soldiers. These are finance problems and errors and must be resolved. DFAS has sent a message out to field finance offices advising them of the needed corrective action. However, soldiers are ultimately responsible for initiating action to discover and correct and finance mistakes. Soldiers may have to make lump sum payments to ensure the full \$2,700 is paid within the 18 months. For more information, contact Bill Unger, 526-4125, or any guidance counselor at the education center.

**Welcome home** — Soldiers of the 759th Military Police Battalion returned from a security deployment in support of Operation Noble Eagle at the Pentagon. They will be welcomed home in a ceremony today. For more information, call 526-8031.

**Post Laundry Service** — The Post Laundry provides free laundry and dry cleaning service to soldiers for government owned property only. Items issued by the Central Issue Facility should be cleaned at the Post Laundry prior to turn in. Soldiers are reminded to allow extra time for items to return from the cleaners. It is not recommended to pick up your equipment on the same day as the scheduled CIF appointment. The turnaround for the service is 72 hours and no appointment is necessary. The Post Laundry will not clean personal items like BDUs, boots, tent pegs, canteens, entrenching tools or wet weather gear. Material TA-50 items that can be washed include: sleeping bag assembly, chemical suits,

Gortex, ruck sacks, coveralls, CVC jackets and most web equipment. Hours of operation are 7:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 3:45 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, excluding holidays. For more information call, 526-8806 or 526-8804.

**Soldiers wanting to take the Automotive Service Examinations** in November should have already registered for the tests. Three funded exams are available for servicemembers who have a Military Occupational Specialty in the following automotive/mechanical service specialties: 52B, 52C, 52D, 61C, 62B, 63B-N, 63B-H, 63B-S, 63B-T, 63B-W and 63B-Y.

Funded exams are available for anyone who previously held the MOS/RATE/AFSC (such as warrant officers) or are currently enrolled in an associate degree program in automotive technology. For information, contact guidance counselors in building 1117, room 160B, or call the Testing Section, 526-8072.

**Fort Carson Ammunition and Explosives amnesty turn-in** — When military A & E is found outside the boundaries of Fort Carson military areas, notify the local civilian authorities or the military police, 526-2333. Abandoned military A & E, excluding small arms ammunition up to and including .50 caliber, will not be moved by untrained personnel. If A & E are found, notify the Fort Carson 764th Explosive Ordnance Company, 526-2643.

Abandoned A & E found on post may be turned in at the Ammunition Reclamation Area, located on Butts Road, one mile south of the airfield. The hours are Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact the Ammunition Supply Point, 526-4381, or the Quality Assurance Office, 526-1795 or 526-1892.

**Command General Staff College** — Majors and captains (promotable), your ticket to early promotion, Command General Staff College, can be taken on post, one night per week. This “non-resident” course is for active duty and reservists, and is an alternate to the resident course or the correspondence course. The non-resident course offers a structured learning environment, branch diversity, instructor support and fewer papers than the correspondence option. Contact Lt. Col. Matt Kortrey, 390-2164, or Maj. Greg Korpkowski, (719) 668-8530, for information or to enroll. Classes start in October.

**Procedure for replacing lost or stolen Identification Cards** — Effective immediately, all soldiers assigned or attached to Fort Carson who have had an ID Card or Common Access Card lost or stolen will be required to present a memorandum signed by their commander when requesting a replacement card. Local policy requires all active duty soldiers, reservists, retirees, family members and Fort Carson civilian employees who lose their ID or Common Access Card to present a form of identification before a replacement card can be issued. The following forms of ID are acceptable: valid driver’s license with photo, state ID with photo, birth certificate with seal or photocopy of birth certificate that reflects the state file number. If no form of ID is available, the soldier must be accompanied by a senior noncommissioned officer (Sgt. 1st Class or above) or a commissioned officer.

## Hours of operation

**The 3rd Cavalry Museum** will be open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Fridays. The museum will be closed federal holidays, except Memorial and Veterans days. Group tours and individual visits from civilians without a valid government identification card can be arranged by contacting the museum, 526-1404 or 526-2028, within 24 hours of the planned visit. The museum staff apologizes for any inconveniences the schedule may create.

**The Information, Tickets and Registration** office has moved — ITR is now located in the Outdoor Recreation Complex, building 2429 on Specker Avenue. The staffs of the ITR Office and the ORC Information

Desk are being combined in an effort to better serve customers. Hours of operation are Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. For information, call 526-2083 or 526-5366.

For official travel services, Carlson-Wagonlit Travel, in building 1012 on Long Street, is open Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., and until 3 p.m. on training holidays.

Travelers are reminded to bring three copies of travel orders when picking up tickets for official travel. Soldiers and family members must have one original and one copy of their “travelopes” and three copies of each order, to include amendments, for overseas permanent changes of station. If you cannot pick up your tickets in person, you can fax a copy of orders to 526-1142 or 576-5262 for issuance of an E-ticket.

Please call 576-5188 to confirm receipt of faxed orders. Tickets will not be issued without orders. If you do not use your ticket, you must bring it and two copies of your orders. If you were issued an E-ticket and did not travel, you still must bring in two copies of orders to process a refund for the unused ticket.

**Central Issue Facility** hours of operation are: Regular business hours: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Thursdays 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. Initial Issue/Partial Issue/DX: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Thursdays: 7:30 to 10:30 a.m. Partial Turn-Ins: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. All Full Turn-Ins require an appointment. Please call 524-2006 or 526-2729 to schedule an appointment. For questions, call Stacey Sly at 526-5512.

## Briefings

**Special Forces briefings** — Special Forces recruiting briefings are held Wednesdays at 1:30 p.m. at Thursdays at 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. at the Grant Library for males in the pay grades E-3 to E-7 with a GT score of 100 or higher and who are U.S. citizens.

**ETS/Transition briefing schedule** — In order for soldiers to receive their ETS orders, soldiers must attend an ETS briefing. Soldiers may sign in at 7:15 a.m. and the briefing begins at 7:30 a.m. in building 1118, room 317. For more information, call the Transition Center at 526-2240 or 526-4298.

**Pest control training** — Pest Management Regulation, AR 200-5, requires only certified applicators apply pesticides on military installations. The Directorate of Environmental Compliance and Management has a program that provides military personnel the necessary training and herbicide. Each unit is allowed a maximum of five people for training unless approved through the unit commander to DECAM. Training sessions are scheduled for the first and third Tuesday of every month from 10 to 11 a.m. at building 3711 until all units have received the training.

**The Commanding General’s Newcomers’ Brief** is the third Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. at McMahon Theater.

The following are dates for upcoming briefings: Wednesday, Nov. 20 and Dec. 18.


## Miscellaneous

**Monthly siren test** — To ensure Fort Carson sirens remain operational, a monthly test will be conducted at noon on the last Friday of each month. The test will sound six seconds on, six seconds off, for a duration of five minutes. The “all clear” will be indicated by a continuous three-minute siren.

**The Air Defense Artillery Association** at Fort Bliss, Texas, carries hatbands, spurs, straps and the like. They also sell unit coins.

For more information, call (915) 564-4331 or visit their website at [www.FirstToFire.com](http://www.FirstToFire.com).

**Editor’s note:** The deadline for submitting “briefs” to the Mountaineer is 5 p.m. Friday before publication.



**Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers**

**BOSS Executive Council** meets the first Wednesday of each month at 10 a.m. at the Post Physical Fitness Center, building 1829. The post BOSS meeting, for BOSS representatives, meets the second Thursday of each month at Christopher’s from 1 to 3 p.m. For information, call 524-BOSS.

More money for soldiers in demanding jobs ...

## Career counselors, special forces get increased bonuses

by Staff Sgt. Marcia Triggs  
Army News Service

WASHINGTON — Special Forces and career counselors asked for it, and as of Oct. 1, they are receiving increased bonuses based on their contributions to the Army.

“Special Forces and career counselors, both active and reserve, have been receiving special pay for several years,” said a spokesman from the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, G1. “Both communities were granted increases based on an analysis conducted during the biennial review of the Army’s Special Duty Assignment Pay.”

SDAP is a monthly incentive to enlisted soldiers who have assignments that are extremely demanding or require a high degree of responsibility, stated the Personnel Command Web site. There are five pay tables under SDAP that range from \$55 to \$275.

More than 7,300 enlisted soldiers will see

the increase on their monthly leave and earning statement, G1 officials said.

All regular Army career counselors in the rank of master sergeant and below whose primary military occupational specialty is 79S, and all reserve-component retention and transition noncommissioned officers whose PMOS is 79V, will receive an additional \$220. Sergeants major will receive \$165. About 1,748 career counselors will see the change in pay.

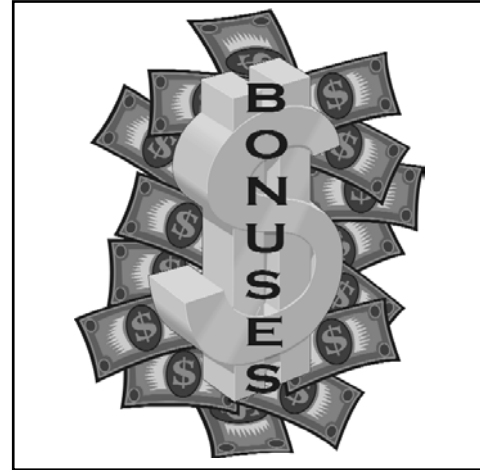
Special Forces who are currently receiving SDP pay level two of \$110 will receive level-four monthly payments of \$220. About 3,947 Special Forces under the Career Management Field 18 will receive the extra pay, the spokesman said.

Rangers in the rank of sergeant and above who are airborne ranger qualified and assigned to the 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, Ga., no longer have to be on station a year before receiving the bonus. All soldiers who are “V” coded (airborne ranger) at the 75th and 4th Tactical Psychological Operation Group at Fort Benning will receive \$110 special pay.

About 1,659 soldiers in tan berets, both active and

reserve’s pay will increase, the spokesman said.

Orders must be generated to award, change, terminate or reinstate SDAP, stated a MILPER message on the Personnel Command Web site. For more information go to MILPER Message 02-249.



# Greenback

*Easier than ever ...*

## New myPay online means more convenience for soldiers



**Jang**

**by Capt. Ho Jang**  
**4th Finance Battalion**

E/MSS makes way for the improved myPay. myPay puts you in control.

For a while now, soldiers and civilians have been able to access their pay accounts using Employee/Member Self Service. In an effort to pro-

vide greater customer service in a timely fashion, DFAS has greatly enhanced E/MSS and created myPay. myPay offers enhanced services, security, accessibility and reliability to all customers of DFAS. With myPay, you can:

1. View, print, and save leave and earning statements
2. View and print tax statements
3. Change federal and state tax withholdings
4. Update bank account and electronic fund transfer info
5. Manage allotments
6. Edit contact information
7. Purchase U.S. Savings Bonds
8. Control Thrift Savings Plan enrollment (military only)

9. View and print travel vouchers

### myPay is easier than ever

myPay's new design helps you find the information and complete the transaction you want in just three clicks. Available nearly 24 hours a day, seven days a week, myPay means no waiting in lines or on the phone. With clear confirmation messages, myPay means confidence in knowing your pay is going where it should, when it should.

How to start using myPay in three easy steps

1. Log on at [myPay.dfas.mil](http://myPay.dfas.mil)

2a. Active Duty — Photocopy both sides of government ID card, write down your name, social security number, phone number, and signature on the sheet of paper and fax it to

DFAS Cleveland at (216) 522-5800.

2b. Civilians, active Air Force, all reservists, and retirees will receive PINs by mail. If you need a new PIN, just click "need new PIN."

3. When you have received your new PIN, log on to [myPay.dfas.mil](http://myPay.dfas.mil) to manage your pay.

The switch to myPay was effective Oct. 15. If you fax your request, your new Temporary PIN will be set to the last five numbers of your social security number. Please wait at least two business days before attempting to use your new temporary PIN (allow

additional time if you mailed your request). You will not receive any notification that your temporary PIN has been reset.

### myPay saves money

Encouraging members and civilians to use myPay can save millions of dollars translating into reduced costs for the Department of Defense. By eliminating costs associated with printing and mailing leave and earning statements, myPay can save 34 cents per payee, which generates more than \$6 million in savings for civilian employees alone. By providing better online customer service, myPay will reduce up to 17 percent of costs associated with traditional customer service activities now performed in person.

### Safety Stand Down Day

The 4th Finance Battalion will have a Safety Stand Down Day Nov. 5. All finance services will be closed with the exception of the In and Out Processing Detachment, which will remain open to assist soldiers arriving or departing from Fort Carson.

All of finance will reopen the next day, but will be closed Nov. 7 for the usual Sergeant's Time Training. The following four days will be the Veterans Day weekend so please arrange to have finance issues settled before Nov. 5. Please contact your servicing finance detachment if you have questions.

# Dining Schedule

## Weekday Dining Facilities

### A La Carte Facilities

43rd ASG Cheyenne Mtn. Inn (building 1040)  
3rd BCT Iron Bde. (building 2061)  
3rd ACR CAV House (building 2461)  
3rd ACR Butts Army Airfield (building 9612)

### Standard Facilities

10th Special Forces Group (A) (building 7481)

### Weekday Meal Hours

<b>Mon., Tues., Wed. and Fri.</b>	<b>Thur.</b>
Breakfast 7:30 to 9 a.m.	5:30 to 7 a.m.
Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.	noon to 1:30 p.m.
Dinner 5 to 6:30 p.m.	4 to 5:30 p.m.

## **Week of Oct. 19 to Oct. 25**

### **Exceptions**

- Butts Army Airfield Dining Facility serves breakfast and lunch meals only.
- Cheyenne Mountain Inn breakfast hours are 7 to 9 a.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays.
- 10th SFG (A) meal hours are the same Monday through Friday. It serves no dinner meal on Fridays.

## Saturday, Sunday and Training

### Holiday Dining Facilities

43rd ASG Cheyenne Mtn. Inn (building 1040)  
3rd ACR Cav. House (building 2461)

## Saturday, Sunday and Training

### Holiday Meal Hours

Brunch	9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Supper	3 to 5 p.m.

*Family members are cordially invited to dine in Fort Carson dining facilities.*

# Energy policy directs purchase of alternative fuel vehicles

by Jim Adams

**Directorate of Logistics  
Transportation Division, Motor  
Transport Officer**

The Energy Policy Act of 1992 was passed by Congress with the goal of reducing United States dependence on foreign oil imports and reducing use of fossil fuels which include gasoline and diesel. It directs the purchase and use of Alternative Fuel Vehicles for vehicle fleets of 50 or more vehicles.

## What is an AFV?

An AFV is a vehicle which runs on fuels other than gasoline or diesel. Under the Energy Policy Act, alternative fuels include methanol, ethanol, natural gas, propane, hydrogen, coal-derived liquids, biological materials, and electricity. There are AFVs which run on one type fuel and there are AFVs which run on two types of fuel. Vehicles which run on one type of fuel are said to be dedicated AFV. The vehicles in our Transportation Motor Pool fleet of this type run on compressed natural gas. Vehicles which run on two types of fuel can be either bi-fuel (sometimes called flex-fuel) or dual-fuel.

Bi-fuel means that two types of fuel can be used in the same fuel tank. The bi-fuel vehicles in our TMP fleet run on Ethanol (E85) and gasoline. Dual-fuel means that the vehicle has two separate fuel systems which operate independently. The vehicles of this type in our TMP fleet run on compressed natural gas and gasoline. They are commonly called CNG2 vehicles. The Energy Policy Act and numerous Presidential Executive Orders have directed the federal government to take the lead in procuring AFVs. For this reason, the Directorate of Logistics in complying with the Energy Policy Act and E.O. started ordering AFVs in 1995, the first year required in the act to do so.

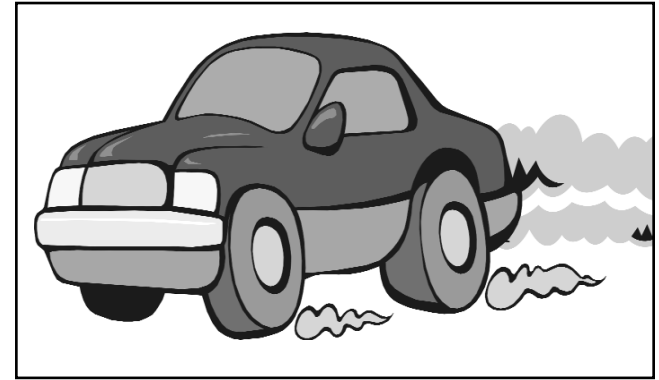
The current TMP fleet has 56 E85, 13 CNG, and 71 CNG2 vehicles. Fiscal year 2003 projected GSA vehicle replacements will add another 26 E85 and 40 CNG2 vehicles to the fleet. E.O. 13149 issued on April 21, 2000, by then President Clinton, requires federal agencies, including the Department of Defense, to significantly reduce their vehicular petroleum use by 2005. Under E.O. 13149, any feder-

al agency with a fleet of 20 or more vehicles in the United States must develop a strategy to lower its annual petroleum consumption by at least 20 percent compared to fiscal year 1999 fuel consumption. Agencies are directed to use the alternative fuel in the AFVs a majority (51 percent) of the time.

Other requirements include increasing the average EPA fuel economy rating of their light-duty vehicle acquisitions by at least one mpg by 2002 and three mpg by 2005; and improve fleet efficiency. For example, substitute cars for light trucks, increase vehicle load factors, and decrease vehicle miles traveled.

## What must Fort Carson do to meet all of these requirements?

Some things have already been done. Alternative fuel vehicles have been ordered since 1995. Where possible, smaller vehicles have been ordered. You as a GSA vehicle driver can also help. Those



of you with CNG vehicles are already helping as your vehicles run only on CNG. Those of you with CNG2 vehicles can help by ensuring you use the Compressed Natural Gas re-fueling station located at building 250 on Harr Avenue between Specker and Chiles Avenues. If you are not familiar with how the pumps work you can contact the dispatcher at the TMP, building 301, extension 6-1651. Someone from the TMP will accompany you to the station and provide instructions on how to use the pumps.

Manufacturers recommendations are to burn 3 tanks of CNG and then one tank of gasoline. Many of

# Small claims court may offer big opportunities

**Capt. Derrick Grace**  
**Office of the Staff Judge Advocate**  
**Legal Assistance Division**

Is your previous landlord holding on to your security deposit like Ebenezer Scrooge? Did you get rear-ended by another vehicle? Are people not paying you money to which you are entitled? Small claims court may be the answer that you are looking for. Small claims court provides you a limited ability to sue people and companies that have wronged you. Small claims actions typically are initiated to recover money or property, or to resolve contractual disputes such as breach of performance.

The small claims process provides a way for people to redress grievances cheaply and without the need for an attorney. In fact, as a general rule, attorneys are not allowed in small claims court. Once the claim is filed, however, the defendant may file a “notice of representation by an attorney” within seven days of the court date. If the defendant files this notice, then you will also be allowed to obtain representation by counsel, if you choose, but at your own cost. Should the defendant fail to file this notice prior to seven days before the court date, the court will not allow the notice, and neither party will be allowed to have an attorney.

A Colorado small claims court can grant you relief for up to \$7,500. A claim (what you believe you are entitled to) for more than this amount can be brought, but you will waive your ability to collect any more than the \$7,500. The only exception to this rule is if interest or court fees are the cause for the claim rising above the \$7,500 ceiling.

Filing a claim in small claims court is fairly easy. You can obtain a packet from the courts by sending a self-addressed envelope with 77 cents postage to: Self Help Center, Post Office Box 2980, Colorado Springs, Colorado 80901. Alternatively, you may obtain the forms you will need and an informational booklet on-line, at [www.courts.state.co.us](http://www.courts.state.co.us). Once you access that Web site, you may then access the “Forms/Self Help” link. The main small claims form is the complaint, which is called the “Notice, Claim, and Summons to Appear for Trial.”

Once you have obtained the form, filling it out is fairly easy if you have the proper information. The first block requests the Colorado county in which you are bringing the action. The second block requires information on the plaintiff, who is you. The second section further requires information that may be a little trickier, because you need to name the person or entity (corporation) against whom you are bringing the claim (suing). In order for the court to have jurisdiction (your right to sue them in El Paso County), the person must either live, work or go to school in El Paso County. If the person does not, then you may have to file in the small claims court in that particular Colorado county. The exceptions are landlord-tenant disputes and restrictive covenant claims. Do not fill out the

blocks that say “Court use only” or that ask for the case number, as the clerk of court will provide that information.

If you are bringing your claim against a corporation or other entity, you must find out who the registered agent is for service. This sounds more difficult than it is. Colorado requires that all businesses register such a person. You may find out who the agent is by either calling the Secretary of State of Colorado at (303) 864-2200, or by obtaining the information on line, at [www.sos.state.co.us](http://www.sos.state.co.us).

The next step is to ask for the relief that you would like to be granted and to explain why you should prevail. This is a simple statement as to the amount of money you would like the defendant to pay to you, and a quick explanation about why you deserve it. There should be no evidence attached. However, before you file, you should have an idea about how you are going to prove your claim. How you go about this varies from case to case, but a good rule of thumb is that in-person witnesses are better than written affidavits (signed statements). Don’t worry: the rules of evidence are very relaxed in the small claims system, so you don’t need to be an attorney to present your side of the argument. Just know what you want to say.

You must fill out three copies of the claim. You must complete one for yourself, one for the defendant, and one for the court. Should there be more than one defendant, each defendant must receive his or her own copy of the claim, regardless of the defendants’ relationship to you or to each other. You must file the claim at the Clerk of Court’s office in downtown Colorado Springs, at 20 East Vermijo Road, Room 105. The filing fee is \$10 for any claim under \$500, and \$24 for any claim between \$500 and \$7,500.

The next step you must take in a small claims action is serving (delivering) the defendant with the “Notice, Claim, and Summons to Appear for Trial.” You may serve the defendant either through a person over the age of eighteen who is not a party to the case, through the sheriff’s office (which costs money), or by certified mail (only through the clerk of court, with a \$6 processing

fee). The defendant may elect to file a response and/or a counterclaim. A response is an explanation as to why the defendant does not owe the plaintiff the requested relief. A counterclaim is a suit against the plaintiff. Filing of a counterclaim can be an effective tool when you are the one being sued. The cost for filing a response is \$5 for any claim under \$500, and \$15 for any claim more than \$500. To file a counterclaim and a response, the fees are \$10 if the original plaintiff’s claim is under \$500 and the counterclaim is less than \$500. For all counterclaims exceeding these amounts, the

filing fee is \$20. No matter what side you are on, you should request reimbursement for the filing fee and court costs. While the court rarely will award these costs, you should always ask.

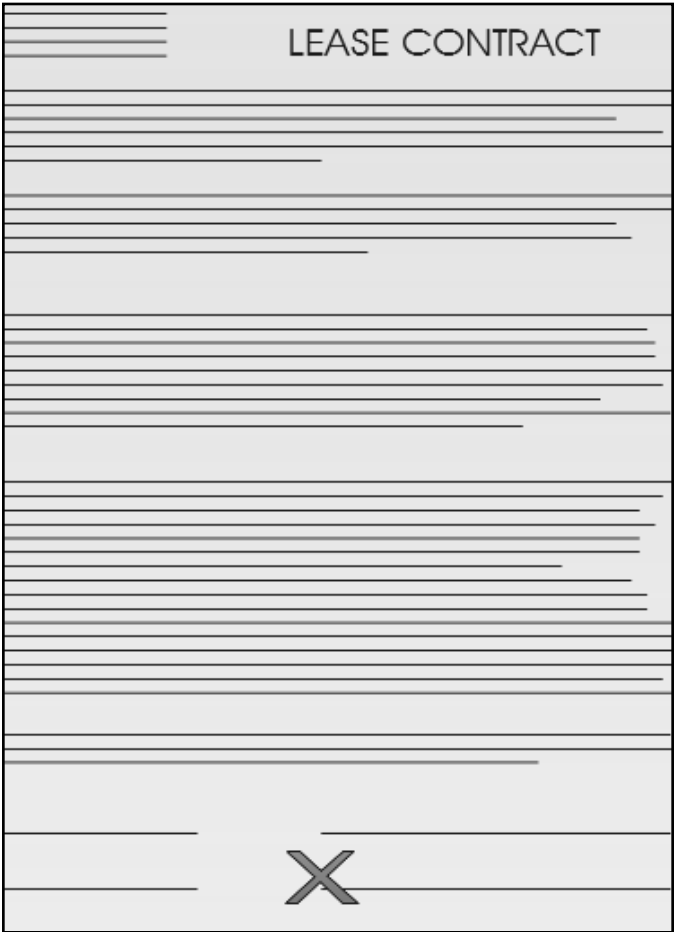
Once you have filed the appropriate paperwork, the clerk of court will provide you a court date to appear in small claims court. At that court date, you will have an opportunity to present your case in the form of witnesses, documents, or other evidence. The defendant will have a similar opportunity. After considering this evidence, the small claims judge will rule.

What can we at the Fort Carson Legal Assistance Division do for your small claims court action? We can advise you on how to

proceed, but cannot represent you in court. If you are unsure how strong your case is, we can review your case, documents and other evidence. Probably the most valuable advice we can provide is to suggest what evidence you need to collect and how you can go about presenting your case.

The Fort Carson Legal Assistance Division schedules appointments for the following week on the preceding Friday. The Legal Assistance Division provides appointments on Monday and Friday mornings, as well as Wednesdays.

Walk-in consultations are available on a first-come, first-served basis on Monday and Friday afternoons, beginning at 1 p.m. You may also call the office at 526-5572 on Friday beginning at 9 a.m. to make an appointment for the following week.



**Did you have a contract with someone who didn’t pay up? Small claims court may be the answer. Small claims actions typically are initiated to recover money or property, or to resolve contractual disputes such as breach of performance.**

## Energy

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you are burning only gasoline in your CNG2 vehicles. You are asked to start complying with the manufacturers’ recommendations. Those of you with E85 vehicles are asked to burn E85 fuel.

The use of gasoline should only

be done when you are on a trip away from Fort Carson where no E85 is available. The only E85 service station in Colorado Springs is the Acorn station located at the corner of Highway 24 (Cimarron Street) and 8th Street. It is realized that the station is quite a distance from Fort Carson, and therefore inconvenient. Efforts to install an E85 station at Fort Carson are

under way. However there are many obstacles to overcome before this happens. You are requested to use the station whenever possible.

## What are some of the alternatives if Fort Carson does not meet the 20 percent goal?

Mandatory downsizing of vehicles is one. Another might be a

reduction in the number of vehicles in the TMP fleet. With the cooperation of all GSA vehicle drivers, these steps should not be required.

Any suggestions should be directed to Jim Adams, Motor Transport Officer, Transportation Division, Directorate of Logistics, extension 526-3367 or e-mail Adams, Jim K at the Fort Carson Global Address.

# Community

*Wishes coming true ...*

## Army helps grant boy's wish to become a soldier

by Michelle Bard  
Army News Service

**WASHINGTON** — With help of the U.S. Army, the Make-A-Wish Foundation was able to grant a 10-year-old freckle-faced boy with a terminal illness his greatest wish — to become a soldier.

To honor that wish, the sergeant major of the Army and the Office of the Secretary of Defense helped swear in Justin Bryce of Binghamton, N.Y., as an honorary soldier and then promoted him to sergeant in a Pentagon ceremony Oct. 7.

Bryce's 20-year-old-brother, Pvt. Raymond Bryce, a 10th Mountain Division artilleryman at Fort Drum, N.Y., was flown in to surprise his little brother and family attending the ceremony. The older Bryce said he thinks he inspired his brother's wish to become an Army soldier.

"I think I had something to do with it. I think he leaned more toward it after I joined," Bryce said.

The ceremony kicked off with the

official swearing in of Bryce as an honorary soldier by Lt. Gen. John Craddock, the senior military assistant to the Secretary of Defense. "The Army gets better every time we enlist a new American," Craddock said prior to the swearing in.

Bryce was then given a custom uniform with Military District of Washington insignias, a challenge coin, black beret and certificate.

Sgt. Maj. of the Army Jack Tilley assisted in the ceremony and presented Bryce with other special Army mementos including various Sergeant Major of the Army coins, an Army briefcase, a bag full of Army footballs, a Sept. 11 remembrance coin and an Army pen. He told Bryce, as the boy eagerly held his hand out, "As long as you're a good soldier, this pen will never run out of ink."

Tilley said this experience held special meaning for him.

"I have an exceptional family (member), so to be able to play a small part in something that makes



Courtesy photo

**Justin Bryce takes the oath of enlistment with Lt. Gen. John Craddock, senior military assistant to the Secretary of Defense. The oath was part of an Oct. 7 Pentagon ceremony where Bryce's greatest wish to be a soldier come true.**

you feel so good ... I think it's something everybody should do," Tilley said.

Bryce was promoted from private

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# Community Events

## Coming up:

**Military Police fundraiser** — The 759th Military Police Battalion will hold a "Jail and Bail" Oct. 28 at the Post Physical Fitness Center. For a \$3 donation, a person of your choice will be picked up on post and taken to "jail" for 10 minutes. The person can bail themselves out by matching the fund that placed them in jail. Call Staff Sgt. Daniel Blackburn at 526-8018 between Oct. 21 and 25 to issue a "warrant" for someone's arrest.

**Haunted House** — Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 43rd Area Support Group, is hosting a haunted house Oct. 26 in building 1203 at 6 p.m.

**Equal Employment Opportunity training** — The Fort Carson EEO office will host the "Managing Aging and Health Impairments Expo" Oct. 30 from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Elkhorn Conference Center in the Colorado Room.

Entertainment, exhibits refreshments and videos will be available. The event is free and open to the public. Registration is not required, but those who do register will be eligible for a door prize. For more information, call the EEO office at 526-4413.

**TRICARE update briefing** — A TRICARE update briefing, for all eligible active duty servicemembers and their families and survivors, is scheduled for Oct. 30 at Evans Army Community Hospital in Cochrane Hall from 1 to 2:30 p.m. For more information, call Al Mitten at 526-7626 or Linda Hood at 266-7012.

**ACAP Open House** — The ACAP Career Center presents its 17th annual open house Nov. 1 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in building 1118, room 133. For information, call 526-1002/0640.

**Records Management Class** — The next Records Management Class will be held Nov. 6 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in building 1550, classroom A, for all units and activities. This course will include handouts and a film on the Privacy Act, the Modern Army Recordkeeping System, Army Correspondence and Forms Management.

**Influenza season is approaching** — The Preventive Medicine Department and Evans Army Community Hospital are gearing up for our annual Flu Shot Clinic. As in the past, the vaccine will be received the vaccine in partial deliveries, the first doses being administered to active duty and high-risk beneficiaries. The Flu Clinic is anticipated to begin mid-October. Please contact the "Flu Shot Hotline" at 526-6422 for information on dates, times, locations and clarification of who is considered high-risk. This hotline is updated weekly or more often as needed.

**Veterans Day parade** — A parade to honor ex-prisoners of war and those missing in action will be held Nov. 9 at 9:30 a.m. The grand marshals of the parade will be Mario Manfredini, representing veterans of World War II, John Tagert, representing the Korean War, and John (Mike) McGrath, representing the Vietnam War. All three grand marshals are ex-prisoners of war. The theme will be "Honoring Ex-Prisoners of War and Missing in Action." However, all veterans are encouraged to participate and will be honored. For more information, contact Diana D. Ceciliani Executive Director Colorado Springs Veterans Day Parade, Inc. at 282-1648 or [vaparade@aol.com](mailto:vaparade@aol.com).

## Fort Carson

**Family Skate Night** is once again at the Post Physical Fitness Center.

**A new exhibit is open at the Third Cavalry Museum**, building 2160 on Berkeley Avenue. The exhibit opened to the public and will remain open at the museum until February 2003. "To the colors: A celebration of Army heraldry and national pride 1848-2002" is intended to commemorate Patriot Day and remember the terrible tragedy which occurred over a year ago.

The museum will also sponsor a drop-off point for visitors to deposit their unserviceable U.S. flags. For more information, call 526-0269.

**Rise above the fall** — The leaves may fall but don't

let your fitness program fall away when the cold weather hits. In the sunny warm weather most of us have lots of healthy strenuous activities to keep us physically fit. Come inside and keep up the activity level. Join the Mountain Post Wellness Program and get a complete exercise program. This program includes initial assessment to identify health risks and to provide a baseline that will show improvement and the rewards of a complete and individualized program. The program tailors a complete fitness plan for you to include aerobic, strength and flexibility. The staff will show you how to use the equipment and you will receive education classes to provide inclusive wellness information. Come inside and keep your fitness program fresh through the cold season. The Mountain Post Wellness Center is located in building 1526 next to the commissary. Call us at 526-3887 for more information.

**Fort Carson Child and Youth Services** is now offering instructional classes in Tae kwon do, gymnastics, ballet and Yoga. The classes will be held at building 1510, Harr Avenue, in the Mini Mall. These classes are being offered to children who are enrolled in our full-day programs at our east and west center, school age services and youth center. For those children already in our program, transportation will be provided to and from classes. Children whose parents are ID card holders may register at building 5510, Beacon Elementary School. The cost to register is \$15 a year for one person or \$35 a year for a whole family, plus the instructional fee.

For more information, call Shirley Patterson at 524-2896 or center registration at 526-1100.

**Tobacco Cessation** — In 1984, more Americans lost their lives to cigarettes than died in all of World War II. You work too hard and matter too much to too many people to let your life be adversely affected by cigarettes and smokeless tobacco. Consider a tobacco-free life. If you feel like you've tried everything but are still using tobacco, you are not alone. Be encouraged. The more times a person attempts to quit the more likely he/she will successfully quit for good. The Mountain Post Wellness Center offers a four-week personalized and comprehensive program to assist you.

The tobacco cessation program is open to all active duty, family members, retirees and Department of Defense civilians and is free of charge. For more information and to sign up, call the Mountain Post Wellness Center at 526-3887.

**The Fort Carson Officers' Spouses' Charitable Association** is looking for new members. The organization is looking for people who have ideas, like to volunteer and want to meet new people.

ESCO is a nonprofit, charitable organization that donates time and money to the community. For example, once a month, ESCO goes to Broadmoor Courts and hosts a bingo game for the residents. If you would like more information about ESCO, contact Erica Burton at 527-9607.

**Job openings at Fort Carson chapels** —

**Soldiers' Memorial Chapel**  
Catholic parish priest  
Catholic parish deacon  
Choir director/cantor for 5 p.m. Saturday Catholic service  
Choir director/cantor for 9:30 a.m. Catholic service  
Organist/pianist for 9:30 a.m. Catholic service  
Organist/pianist for 11 a.m. Protestant service  
Choir director for 11 a.m. Protestant service  
**Provider Chapel**  
Musician/cantor for 12:15 p.m. Catholic service  
Pianist/organist for 9 a.m. Protestant service  
Pianist/organist for 5 p.m.

Saturday Catholic service

Choir director for 9 a.m. Protestant service

Pianist/organist for 10:45 a.m. Liturgical

**Prussman Chapel**

Musician/cantor for 8 a.m. Catholic service

Pianist/organist for 11 a.m. Gospel service

Choir director for 11 a.m. Gospel service

**Veterans' Chapel**

Pianist/organist for 9:30 a.m. Protestant service

**Family Life Center**

Youth minister

Clinical supervisor

If you are interested in any of these positions, call Jean Gatta at 526-6600, located in the Directorate of Contracting, 1850 Mekong, building 6222.

## Around town

**The Pikes Peak Chapter of the American Red Cross** offers many training courses throughout the Colorado Springs Community. Courses offered on military installations require a government ID card to enter the installation. For a list of current dates and times of classes being offered, call 526-2311. Registration can be done over the phone or in person at the main office, building 1526, in the Family Readiness Center.

The American Red Cross has many health and safety classes available including Guard Start, Adult, Child and Infant Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation, Pet First Aid and CPR and a free layette program. For more information about the classes, contact Theresa Piscal at 524-1279.

**Free online courses for federal employees** —

Federal workers can take free online courses on about 30 subjects ranging from project management to coping with stress through a government-sponsored Web site [www.golearn.gov](http://www.golearn.gov). Federal employees can take the courses, which require between two to eight hours to complete, at no charge to themselves or their agencies. While the site will offer a limited number of free courses, Office of Personnel Management and the transportation center will start charging agencies for additional courses and services later this year.

**New groups** — There are two new groups being offered at Social Work Services.


The first group is for junior high age youths whose parents are deployed or scheduled to be deployed. The group will be offered at the Evans Army Community Hospital at Social Work Service, Fridays at 3 p.m.

The second group is an eight-week therapy group for children who have been exposed to physical, sexual and/or emotional violence. Targeted ages are 8 through 12, male and female. This will also be held at EACH, an exact start date has not been determined, but it will be held on Mondays from 3 to 4 p.m.

## Annual Leave Donations

**Leave donations needed** — Paul Damon, Directorate of Community Activities, needs leave donations due to a serious injury. Judy Cole of the G-3 is in need of annual leave donations. Cole has exhausted her paid leave due to a serious illness and will need to take about 60 days off for treatment and recovery. Point of contact is Kay Poland at 524-2005.

Efren Ramirez of Directorate of Plans, Training and Management is in need of annual leave donations. Ramirez has exhausted his paid leave due to a serious illness and will need to take approximately 60 days off for treatment and recovery. The point of contact is Bekky Shaw at 526-0901.



**Army Community Service**  
**Family Readiness Center**  
526-4590

**Make A Difference**

**Oct. 26 Day**  
**9 a.m. to 2 p.m.**

**VOLUNTEER PROJECTS THIS YEAR:**

- Centennial Trail**
- Cheyenne Mountain Zoo**
- Glen Eyrie Conference Center**
- High Chaparral Open Space**
- Keep Colorado Springs Beautiful**
- Silver Key**
- Turkey Creek Recreation Area**

**Make A Difference In Our Community**  
**Call 526-4590 for details.**

# On watch: mayor keeps vigilant eye on community

by Joey Bautista  
Fort Carson Mayoral Program  
Coordinator

For many people, "free time" means playing ball with the children, watching a movie on television or doing various chores around the house. But for Linda Funkhouser, free time means being a mayor for Pawnee Village.

Funkhouser thought long and hard about the responsibility of being mayor. After discussing it with her husband, she decided the experience would teach her leadership, Funkhouser said.

"I wanted to do the job because it gives me the chance to work with my skills of consensus building; getting people to work toward common goals and make a difference for the community. We have to come together in agreement, to take charge and be proud of our village — Pawnee Village — and that's why I really like my job," she said.

Funkhouser has served as deputy mayor of Pawnee since March and took over as the mayor Aug. 1. She has used the consensus method very effectively to bring change to her community.

With the assistance and hard work of the deputy mayor, Spc. John Buzzard, a lot has been done at Pawnee Village that has made life for its residents more comfortable, said Funkhouser.

Developing an open line of communication has become one of his goals for Pawnee Village. When Funkhouser works with her community, she tries to assure her residents they can always come to her if there's an issue, concern or problem.

"I try to get all the people in the village to feel good about one another. Living in the military family housing area, with a lot of people close together, sometimes people can rub each other the wrong way. And I'm trying to get people to understand that you can talk things out and there are other avenues before you hate each other. At least if you bring it to the mayor it can be talked out and settled. It's just using a little common courtesy and maturity," said Funkhouser.

Another goal Funkhouser hopes to accomplish through her mayoral duty is to re-evaluate the "standard" and to consistently improve the quality of life in her area of military housing.

"One of my main goals is to maintain the integrity of the village. I say that in terms of making sure families maintain regulations, keep things clean and make sure things, like playground equipment remain in the proper state of repair.

"I rely heavily on the Housing liaison along with the area and block coordinator (for information on status of the neighborhood, to enforce regulation, and to give citations to all). They've got mission to make sure the common areas are policed up and playgrounds are safe. If they (playgrounds) are not safe, to put in a work order. That's what I mean by the integrity of the village," Funkhouser said.

By her philosophy, a leader of a community does not have to intrude to improve.

"I don't go out looking for things to change. I want to intrude on families as little as possible; mayors are advocates for the residents. There's enough they have to deal with that I



Photo by Spc. Jon Christoffersen

**Linda Funkhouser, left, Mayor of Pawnee Village, hands a village newsletter to Michelle Buzzard, a Pawnee resident. Producing and distributing the newsletter is one of many tasks that mayors perform around their villages.**

don't want to go down and tell them 'why don't you do more?' So I try to let them have their own way and work things out as long as they live by regulations and laws," she said.

So what happened when Funkhouser had the chance to stop thinking about regulations, policies, laws and work orders?

She focused on having social events, such as a block or village party, passing out the monthly newsletter and a flashlight vigil for the remembrance of Sept. 11. Or she's working with the village's overwatch, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment and J.A. Jones, to see if they can help to improve and sustain the quality of life for the Pawnee Village or help sponsor events to boost the morale for the resi-

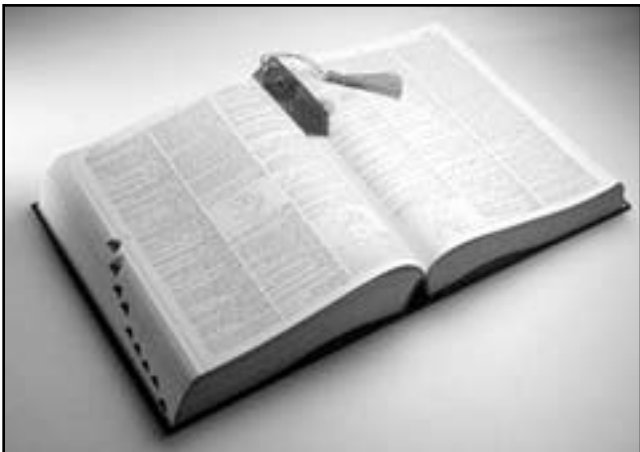
dents.

Whether it's a community get-together or dispute, Funkhouser insists on representing the village.

"I've made a couple of other things my policy to live by. One (policy) mainly being not to take one person's issue and make it the village issue.

"Because I have more than 350 families and just because one person's having a problem doesn't mean everyone does.

"I will work with that one person through the appropriate agency ... but I will not just decide it's a village issue ... and that's part of the lesson of intrusion. I'm not going to go and make the village conform to one person's idea," Funkhouser said.



### Chapel

**Hallelujah Fun Night** — The Fort Carson Chapels and Protestant Women of the Chapel are planning a Hallelujah Fun Night Oct. 31 at 6 p.m. at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel as a safe and fun alternative to other Halloween activities. The event begins with pizza at 6 p.m. followed by singing, games, prizes and candy. The evening will conclude at 8 p.m. Costumes are welcome, but please use good judgment when selecting a costume for this chapel event. The event is free so plan to attend.

Volunteers are needed to make the Hallelujah Fun Night a success. If you are interested in helping setup, serving pizza, running games or cleaning up, contact PWOC representative Sheila Schlect-Barry at 382-0751 or Chap. (Maj.) Duane Kincaid at 526-8011. In addition, candy donation boxes are located at each chapel, and we encourage you to donate your favorite candy treats.

**Native American Sweatlodge ceremonies** (He Ska Akicita Inipi) — are offered to military personnel, family members and Department of Defense personnel for traditional prayer and purification. Fasting before the ceremony is recommended and refreshments are offered following the ceremony. Please call the following for ceremonial information and directions: Michael Dunning, 382-5331 or 330-953, or Zoe Goodblanket at 442-0929.

## Chapel Schedule

ROMAN CATHOLIC					
Day	Time	Service	Chapel	Location	Contact Person
M-W-F	noon	Mass	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Fr. Gagliardo/526-5769
Tues., Wed., Thurs.	noon	Mass	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Stahl/526-5769
Saturday	5 p.m.	Mass	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Stahl/526-5769
Sunday	8 a.m.	Mass	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Stahl/526-5769
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Mass	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Stahl/526-5769
Sunday	10:45 a.m.	CCD	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Catholic DRE/526-5744
Sunday	11 a.m.	Mass	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Fr. Gagliardo/526-7386
Sunday	12:15 p.m.	Mass	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Stahl/526-5769
PROTESTANT					
Sunday	9 a.m.	Protestant	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Chap. Simmons/526-7387
Sunday	9 a.m.	Protestant	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Satterfield/526-6368
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Protestant	Veterans'	Magrath & Titus	Chap. Fox/526-4416
Sunday	11 a.m.	Protestant	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Kincaid/526-8011
Sunday	11 a.m.	Prot./Gospel	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Lee/526-4469
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sun. School	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Dr. Scheck/526-5626
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sun. School	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Lee/526-4469
Sunday	6:30 p.m.	PYOC	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Ms. Scheck/524-1166
LITURGICAL PROTESTANT					
Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Protestant	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Bauer/526-5279
JEWISH					
For information and a schedule of Jewish Sabbath services, call the U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet Chapel at 333-2636.					
WICCA					
Monday	6 p.m.		Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Ms. Bryan/229-8948
For additional information, contact the Installation Chaplain's Office, building 1550, at 526-5209. Normally, free child care is available during on-post worship services.					

**Daily Bible readings:** In order to assist in regular scripture reading, the following scriptures are recommended. These scriptures are part of the common daily lectionary which is designed to present the entire Bible over a three-year cycle.

**Friday — Psalms 119:89-96 & Ezekiel 25-27**

**Saturday — Psalms 119:97-104 & Ezekiel 28-30**

**Sunday — Psalms 119:105-112 & Ezekiel 31-33**

**Monday — Psalms 119:113-120 & Ezekiel 34-36**

**Tuesday — Psalms 119:121-128 & Ezekiel 37-39**

**Wednesday — Psalms 119:129-136 & Ezekiel 40-42**

**Thursday — Psalms 119:137-144 & Ezekiel 43-45**

The Army Cycle Of Prayer — Each week the Office of the Army Chief of Chaplains will highlight Army units, the Army at large, the nation and religious organizations to focus prayer. You are invited to join with the chaplain community and pray for these individuals and organizations. Please pray this week for the following:

**UNIT:** For the soldiers, noncommissioned officers and officers of the Army National Guard, 48th Infantry Brigade, a separate brigade located in Georgia.

**ARMY:** For Gen. John M. Keane, vice chief of staff of the Army and the military and civilian personnel who work in the Office of the Vice Chief of Staff.

**STATE:** For all the soldiers and families from the state of Maryland. Pray also for Gov. Parris N. Glendening, the state legislators and local officials of the "Free State."

**RELIGIOUS:** For grace, to accept and adjust to all the changes and transitions in our lives.

For more information on the Army Cycle of Prayer, or to pray for items from previous weeks, visit the cycle's Web site at [www.usarmychaplain.com](http://www.usarmychaplain.com).

## Chaplain's Corner

# Let your heart not be troubled — God is always in control

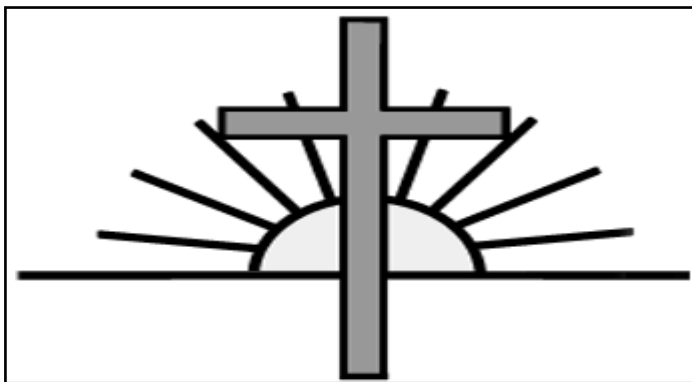
Commentary by Chap. (Maj.) Duane H. Kincaid  
Soldiers' Memorial Chapel

There is a crisp chill to the breeze that stirs the multi-colored leaves around Fort Carson. The days seem to be growing shorter, while overhead you can hear Canada geese on their journey to the south. The seasons are changing, with a promise of the coming of winter, and so it has been for centuries.

In the third chapter of Ecclesiastes, the writer reminds us that, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven." We live in a world of change, where nothing seems to remain the same. Many of us experience this firsthand as we grow older, and realize that we're not the same as we used to be. We become frustrated when rules, signs, and orders change without warning. We stand in awe as we watch our children change into young adults before our very eyes.

Yes, there is a "time for everything," which cycles with the passage of the years. Some in our society remember the times of war and even the Great Depression. Was it that long ago that we first heard about a place called Viet Nam? In not the too distant past the area in which we live was a wild and rough territory of the Great American West. Who among us old enough to understand doesn't think about what happened to our country just over a year ago?

Our environment changes, our world situation changes, nations rise and fall, and people change. Most of us learn to adapt, we change along with the passage of



time and circumstances. We often are overcome with change, and fear threatens to overwhelm us ... for we feel so helpless. Take heart, "I know that everything God does will endure forever; nothing can be added to it and nothing taken from it ..." Though everything else changes, God never changes. He is the same yesterday, today and forever.

We are going to see more changes in our lives, maybe even war or death, but God remains in control. Many of the things that happen to us are beyond our control, and we should realize that there is no choice, but to give them over to God. God does indeed hold the whole world in his hands, and even knows each of us by name. God loves us and doesn't want us to be anxious about anything. Jesus said, "Let not your heart be troubled ..." If change troubles you, or you feel overcome by any circumstance, simply believe and have faith. Believe that God is with us, and in us, through all things and in all seasons.

### Chapel

**Lutheran worship** — The Lutheran worship service meets at Provider Chapel at 10:45 a.m. on Sundays. While the congregation uses The Lutheran Book of Worship (the "green book"), the worship follows the historic form and substance of Holy Communion as handed on through the years in the liturgical tradition. The Eucharist will be offered weekly. All members of the Mountain Post Team who are of the Lutheran faith, those interested in the Evangelical Lutheran Church, or those who prefer traditional worship, are cordially invited to attend. If you have questions, please call Chap. John Bauer at 526-0480 or Chap. Leif Espeland at 526-5772.

**Protestant Sunday School 2002** — Soldiers' Memorial Chapel is sponsoring a new Sunday adventure at 9:30 a.m. each week. Children will enter the fun world of firelight crafts, activities, drama and building new relationships, while experiencing the world of the Bible. Children must be at least 4 years old to register. Registration is ongoing Sunday mornings at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel, building 1500. Volunteer positions are available. For information, contact Dennis Scheck, 526-5626.



Sgt. 1st Class Donald Perry, 62nd Ordnance Company, Explosive Ordnance Disposal team, out of Tooele Army Dept, Utah, provide medical aide to mock casualties during the 3rd Brigade Combat Team rotation to NTC Oct. 3.



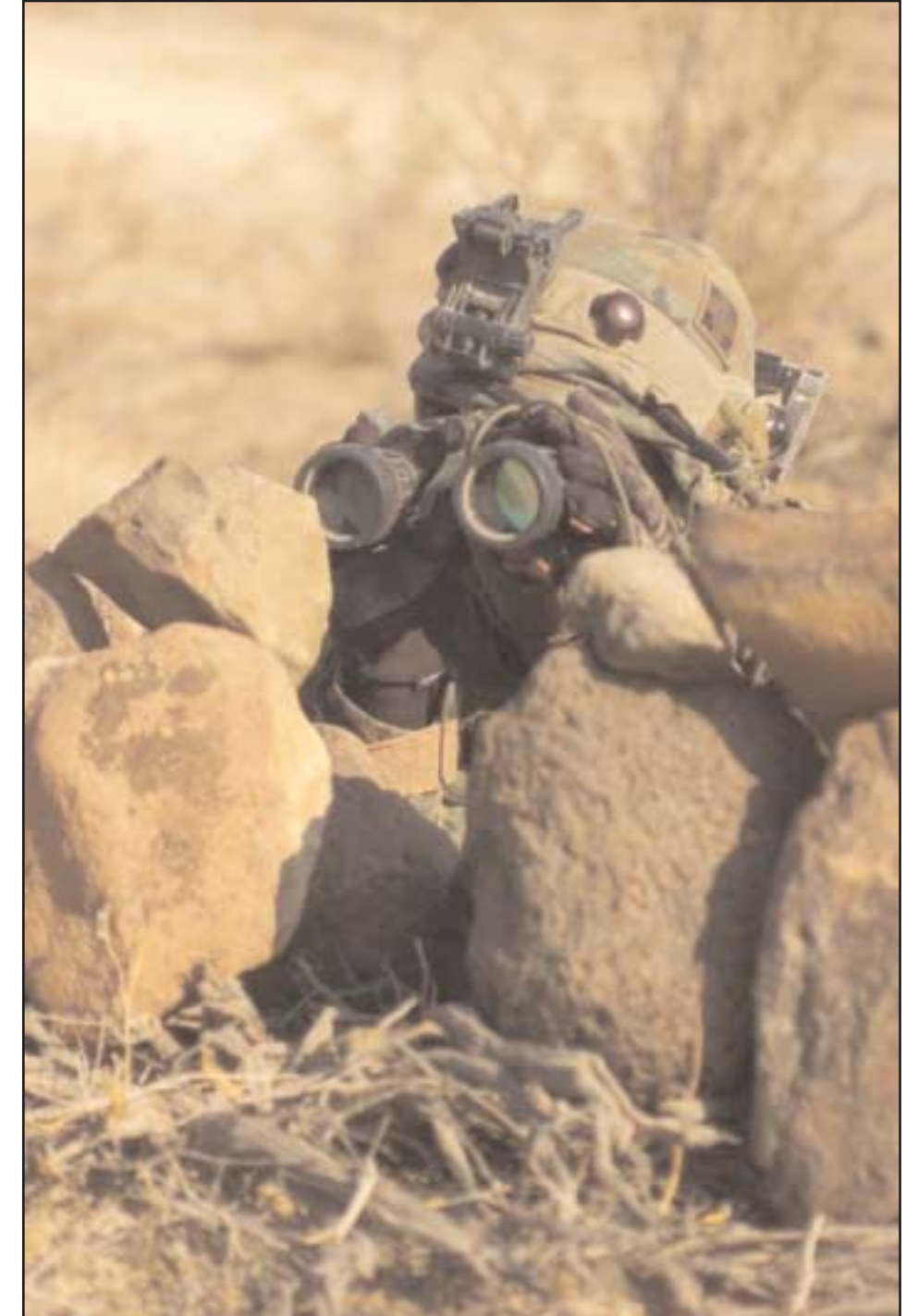
Spc. Steve Robare, Headquarters Company, 104th MI, from Fort Hood, Texas, pulls perimeter security for 3rd Brigade Combat Team's camp at National Training Center Oct. 1.



Spc. Konstantine Ivanov, light wheel vehicle mechanic from Headquarters Company, 104th MI, from Fort Hood, Texas, pulls perimeter security for 3rd Brigade Combat Team's Tactical Operations Center during National Training Center Oct. 1.



Spc. Michael Keeling, Battery A, 3rd Battalion, 29th Field Artillery, pulls security on the 50 caliber machine gun of a Paladin during 3rd Brigade Combat Team's rotation to National Training Center Sept. 29.



Spc. Jason Batey, Company D, 104th Military Intelligence, from Fort Hood, Texas, pulls perimeter security for 3rd Brigade Combat Team's camp at National Training Center Oct. 1.

# FORCE-ON-FORCE: 3rd BCT soldiers sharpen skills at National Training Center

by Sgt. Melissa R. Bernazzani  
14th Public Affairs Detachment

Along the open desert of Fort Irwin's National Training Center in California, ribbons of dust trace the battlefield creating an unforgivable obstacle allowing an enemy to observe anyone's maneuvers.

Now that the 3rd Brigade Combat Team's week of preparation is over, it is time for the real battle during the force-on-force stage of the NTC rotation, which started Sept. 28.

"NTC has a level of rigor that can not be replicated at home station training," said Col. Fred Rudesheim, commander of the 3rd BCT. "We are well underway for a successful rotation. (The training will) focus leadership efforts to keep soldiers fully engaged and prepared for next missions."

The 3rd BCT soldiers will continue the force-on-force portion for 10 days during the rotation where the unit will be continually confronted and challenged by the enemy forces. Soldiers will execute battlefield maneuvers and conduct strategic

planning to overcome the enemy.

The NTC provides soldiers from any of the Army's force an opportunity to get some of the most realistic training for today's modern battlefield.

"At NTC, you actually get to see how combat is really fought," said Spc. Michael Keeling, an NTC first-timer and M109A6 Paladin driver for Battery A, 3rd Battalion, 29th Field Artillery. "Training in this type of environment, prepares us for possible missions like Afghanistan or in the Middle East."

After being assigned to Battery A for more than nine months, Keeling feels confident with his training and his unit, but doing training in the desert can be challenging at times.

"You make it what you will. You get out of it what you put into it," he said.

An ammo team chief and fourth year soldier, Sgt. William Curlin, Btry. A, 3rd Bn., 29th FA, who has been assigned to his current unit for only three months, describes the NTC rotation as a change to his former training in Germany where his unit didn't have a lot of combined training with different units and equipment on the

battlefield.

"NTC is more battle prepare, more room to move around," said Curlin.

"Everyone coming together like an actual battle."

The brigade deployed to NTC Sept. 19 and is scheduled to train for 30 days. The rotation consists of one initial week of preparation, ten days of force-on-force training, transitioning into a four-day live-fire phase, and concluding with recovery and re-deployment stage to finish the final portion of the rotation.

The BCT's organic units include Headquarters Company, 3rd Brigade; 1st Battalion, 8th Infantry; 1st Bn., 12th Inf.; 1st Battalion, 68th Armor; 3rd Bn., 29th FA; 4th Engineer Battalion; 64th Forward Support Battalion; Company B, 9th Cavalry; Company C, 1st Battalion, 44th Air Defense Artillery; Company C, 104th Military Intelligence; 3rd Company, 4th Military Police; 534th Signal Battalion.

The supporting units for 3rd BCT's rotation include Company A, 2nd Battalion, 4th Aviation; 2nd Battalion, 20th Field Artillery, from Fort Hood, Texas; and 418th Civil Affairs Battalion, a reserve unit from Kansas City, Mo.



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## Wishes

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orders signed by Tilley. Bryce became confused at one point in the ceremony and asked, "What's a promotion?"

"We're going to make you from a private to a sergeant so you get an increase in pay. But not much," Tilley said.

Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld also participated in the ceremony and awarded Justin with a Secretary of Defense hat and pin. He praised Bryce for his advancement in the ranks.



Courtesy photo

**Ten-year-old Justin Bryce signs a document officially making him an honorary soldier Oct 7.**

"Congratulations on your elevation to sergeant," Rumsfeld said.

After the ceremony, Rumsfeld met with Bryce's parents, younger sister and two older brothers and welcomed them to the Pentagon. He also expressed his appreciation to Bryce for choosing to become an Army soldier.

"Thank you for choosing the Army for your wish," he said.

Jon Rosa, Make-A-Wish's public relations and development coordinator, of Kensington, Md., said doctors, family members and the children who have a life-threatening illness can make wish referrals.

In Bryce's case, the hospital in Wilmington, Del., where Bryce was receiving treatment, made the call to the foundation and official word of Bryce's wish was made to the hospital Oct. 3. Rosa said it was urgent to grant the wish "as soon as possible."

"We wanted to provide Justin with some quality time with his family in these last stages of his illness," he said.

In addition to the swearing-in and promotion ceremony, Bryce also had a full day of "training" at the Pentagon, Fort Belvoir, Va. and the U.S. Coast Guard Station in Baltimore, Md., Oct. 8, to get some hands-on experience.

"He really seemed to enjoy himself," Rosa said.

Tilley said he felt honored to assist in the ceremony and grant Bryce's wish.

"We just came out today to make him an honorary sergeant, give him his own uniform and tell him we would do anything we could to help out. It's the least we could do," he said.

Those interested in donating to the Make-A-Wish Foundation can do so through the Combined Federal Campaign, which opens at Fort Carson today.

## Volunteer, make a difference Oct. 26

by Catherine Torres  
Army Community Service  
Marketing and Advertising

Join the men, women and children across the nation who are taking time out of their busy lives to impact their community. Volunteer for "Make a Difference Day."

More than 700 hundred Southern Colorado residents are expected to spend Oct. 26 doing volunteer projects to improve Colorado Springs and the Pikes Peak Region. These volunteers will join the more than 2 million Americans across the country spending Oct. 26 — the 11th Make A Difference Day — volunteering to improve their communities. On the last Make A Difference Day, a record 2.2 million volunteers participated and an estimated 22 million people-in-need benefited; \$2.6 million was distributed to the charities of volunteers.

The Southern Colorado projects include general beautification, picking up litter, painting picnic tables, cage cleaning, clearing trails, yard work, window washing, parking lot repair, replacing fence boards, and much, much more. There are a total of eight projects on the list for 2002.

The Make A Difference Day committee is seeking volunteers for the following:

**Cheyenne Mountain Zoo**  
**Turkey Creek Recreation Area**  
**Glen Eyrie Conference Center**  
**Centennial Trail**  
**Keep Colorado Springs Beautiful**  
**High Chaparral Open Space**  
**Silver Key**

To find out how you can make a difference in the Pikes Peak Region, call Gwen Ragle at 526-4590. Slots are limited with each project, residents are encouraged to volunteer early.

# Sports & Leisure

## Find time to play in Rocky's winter wonderland

Colorado provides many opportunities for winter outdoor enthusiasts to enjoy great scenery, activities

### Outdoor Rec. offers rental equipment

Fort Carson's Outdoor Recreation center has many items to help soldiers and civilians better enjoy the winter months.

The equipment, from skis to hunting equipment, is available at reasonable prices from the Outdoor Recreation Checkout Center, located in the Outdoor Rec. building on Specker Avenue.

\* Decoy, duck and geese: \$6 for a day or \$18 a week.

\* Ice auger, manual: \$5 per day or \$15 per week.

\* Ice auger, power: \$10 per day or \$30 per week.

\* Ice hut without auger: \$15 per day, \$45 per week.

\* Ice hut with auger: \$25 per day, \$75 per week.

\* Ski rack, roof mount: \$5 per day, \$20 per week, \$75 for season.

\* Snowshoes: \$5 per day, \$20 per week.

\* Ski clothing (bibs, pants and jackets): \$5 each.

**Ski packages (skis, boots and poles):**

\* Blades: \$8 per day, \$20 per week, \$65 for season.

\* Parabolic (shaped skis): \$10 per day, \$40 per week, \$100 for season.

\* Performance skis: \$15 per day, \$55 per week, \$135 for season.

\* Ski package child: \$4 per day, \$18 per week, \$50 for season.



File photo by Nel Lampe

From a stroll through a park to a day on the slopes, Colorado has numerous winter-time activities to enjoy.

\* Cross Country: \$8 per day, \$30 per week, \$60 for season.

**Ski equipment:**

\* Ski, straight: \$5 per day, \$20 per week, \$35 for season.

\* Ski, parabolic (shaped): \$7 per day, \$28 per week, \$65 for season.

\* Ski, performance: \$10 per day, \$40 per week, \$80 for season.

\* Ski boots: \$5 per day, \$20 per week, \$50 for season.

season.

\* Ski poles: \$2 per day, \$12 per week, no seasonal rentals available.

**Snowboard equipment, no seasonal rentals available:**

\* Snowboard: \$14 per day, \$50 per week.

\* Snowboard boots: \$5 per day, \$20 per week.

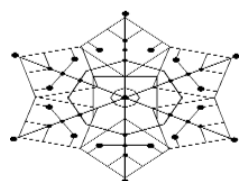
For more information about rental equipment, call the Fort Carson Outdoor Recreation Checkout Center at 526-1993.

## Academy offers mountain retreat for servicemembers, civilians

Courtesy of the Air Force Academy

Exclusive Mountain Resort comes to mind when describing United States Air Force Academy's Farish Recreation Area, a 655-acre alpine paradise of mountains and meadows.

This treasure is located on the Rampart Range west of the academy at an altitude of 9,000 feet.



The facility is open year-round and offers seasonal activities. Summertime is the favored and busiest season, but don't neglect the good times that winter affords. Many guests to the area enjoy winter for the solitude, crisp air and unbelievably clear night skies.

**Lodging: Primitive to luxurious**

If you are fortunate enough to spend a few days in the area, you will be directed to single-family cottages that accommodate up to eight people each, or the popular historic lodging units with fireplaces for that special getaway. The modern suites with their wonderful views and the lack of oxygen at 9,000 feet, will leave you breathless.

If you're not able to spend more than a day, you can enjoy ice skating on Grace Lake, or ice fishing for 12-inch trout. There is rental equipment for those who don't have their own.

When snow happens, a new exciting activity is skiing, snowshoeing and sledging are at your disposal. Rent is available for rent.

Whether you are here only for the day or staying

together that family reunion, the staff will go that extra mile to make your activities memorable.

Those eligible to use Farish are, all active duty and retired military, Reserve and National Guard, Department of Defense civilian employees, cadets and Prep School students and the immediate family members of these groups.

**Prices:**

\* Cottage: rustic single unit townhouse with two bedrooms, private shower, private kitchen, living room with gas-log fireplace and big screen TV with VCR, sleeps eight, \$85 per night.

\* Lodge: rustic two-story building with four separately rented rooms. Kitchen and dining room for lodge guests is located in a separate building.

\* Room 1; private bath, gas-log fireplace, TV, queen bed, bunks and rollaway, sleeps five. \$50 per night

\* Room 2; shared bath downstairs, TV, queen bed, bunks, sleeps four. \$36 per night.

\* Room 3; shared bath (connected), gas-log fireplace, TV, queen bed, bunks, sleeps four. \$40 per night.

\* Duplex: six newly built units (three are handicap accessible), each with one bedroom and loft or second bedroom, private shower, private kitchenette with range top (no oven) and microwave, living room with satellite TV, each unit sleeps five. \$70 per night.

\* Camper Cabins: four separate log building, full bed frame and bunks with



# U.S. team takes CISM golf title in Fort Bliss battle

by Master Sgt. Steve Miller  
Army News Service

**FORT BLISS, Texas** — The United States held off a challenge from South Africa during the final round Oct. 5 to claim the CISM North American Regional Golf Championship here.

The CISM, or Conseil International du Sport Militaire, sanctions international military championships in a variety of sports. Canada and South Africa joined their U.S. hosts for this tournament, in which officials said the emphasis was on cooperation and camaraderie, rather than competition.

The U.S. team consisted of the top golfers from the U.S. Armed Forces Golf Championships which ended at Fort Bliss Sept. 28. The Army won two of the top three individual categories during the championships.

Pfc. Christopher Douglas from Fort Bragg, N.C., shot a 3-under-par 69 on the final day to become the overall Armed Forces winner and take home the title in the open division. Mark Johnson, a lieutenant colonel from Fort Sam Houston, Texas, garnered the Army's other individual title in winning the senior division by a whopping 13 strokes. His 4-under-par 284 easily beat the Air Force's top contender. Six open golfers and the top four golfers each from the senior and women's divisions made the U.S. team that faced other 14-member teams from Canada and South Africa.

For the CISM tourney, team points were awarded on a 3-2-1 basis for the first three rounds Oct. 2-4. The U.S. team won each round to assume a 9-5 lead heading to the final round, with Canada third holding 4 points. However, the team points possible doubled for the final round, meaning South Africa could have tied the U.S. team at 11 and forced a playoff, if they'd won the last round to earn 6 points and if the U.S.

finished third with 2 points.

But the U.S. team maintained its lead and earned the 6 final-round points to win the tourney with 15. South Africa picked up 4 points for placing second in the final round and finished with 9. Canada earned 2 points for third and finished with 6.

Golfers competed in teams of three or six, one or two for each nation, during the four rounds, which featured a different format each day.

The first round was a better ball format in which the better score among the two golfers was recorded. The second round featured an alternating shot format in which the paired golfers alternated shots until they holed the ball. The third round was a scramble in which the two golfers picked the location of the better shot until they holed the ball.

The final round featured individual match play in which the golfers competed against one another in teams of three. Winner is the person winning the most holes of the 18 on a hole-by-hole basis.

Each team selected a sportsmanship award recipient from one of the other teams. The Canadian team chose Jim Day, a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy.

"It was like no time had gone by. I remembered them from last year, and they remembered me," said Day, who took part in his second straight CISM tourney. "The best part was the singles match play during the final round. I got my rematch against Jeff Elliot (of Canada), who beat me last year. I got a chance and pulled it out."

South Africa chose Malcolm Ferguson, a first-time CISM participant and corporal in the Canadian air force, as its sportsmanship awardee.

"The friendships you make are the best — it's amazing. I met some of them last year when we hosted the U.S. team for the CISM tournament in Borden (Ontario)," Ferguson said. "It's always great to see

people you've got a friendship and bond with. This has been a great experience."

The U.S. team chose 54-year-old Andre Keyser, a flight sergeant with the South African air force, who, like Day, also participated in his second straight CISM tourney.

Next year's CISM golf tourney is set for Jacksonville, Fla., in early October. Kenya is scheduled to host in 2004, according to Canadian Maj. Robert Daunais, a member of the CISM golf committee.

Following is the U.S. team roster:

Men's Open Division

Navy Lt. Jim Day, Naval Station Mayport, Fla.

Pfc. Christopher Douglas, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Marine Corps CWO 2 Laurence Gausepohl,

Marine Corps Air Station Miramar, Calif.

Air Force 2nd Lt. Ben Leestma, Moody AFB, Ga.

Army Capt. Damon Ragsdale, Fort Hood, Texas

Pfc. Chad Saladin, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii

Men's Senior Division

Army Maj. Mike Armstrong, Army Test and Evaluation Command, Alexandria, Va.

Air Force Maj. Mike Freels, McChord Air Force Base, Wash.

Army Lt. Col. Mark Johnson, Fort Sam Houston, Texas

Tech. Sgt. Sam Paugh, Luke Air Force Base, Ariz.

Women's Division

Air Force 2nd Lt. Linda Jeffery, Brooks Air Force Base, Texas

Air Force Lt. Col. Gail Kramer, Los Angeles Air Force Base, Calif.

Navy Lt. Heather Lee, USS John C. Stennis, San Diego, Calif.

Sgt. Stephanie Mann, Kaiserslautern, Germany.

## Winter Fun

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foam pads, guests must provide sleeping bags or linens, Port-O-Johns, picnic table, porch swing, fire ring or habachi grill, sleeps four. \$25 per night with electricity, \$20 per night without.

- \* Recreational vehicles/camper spaces; nine gravel. \$9 per night.

- \* Pavilions; two covered, gravel. \$15 per night.

- \* Tent spaces; 15 gravel primitive. \$7.50 per night.

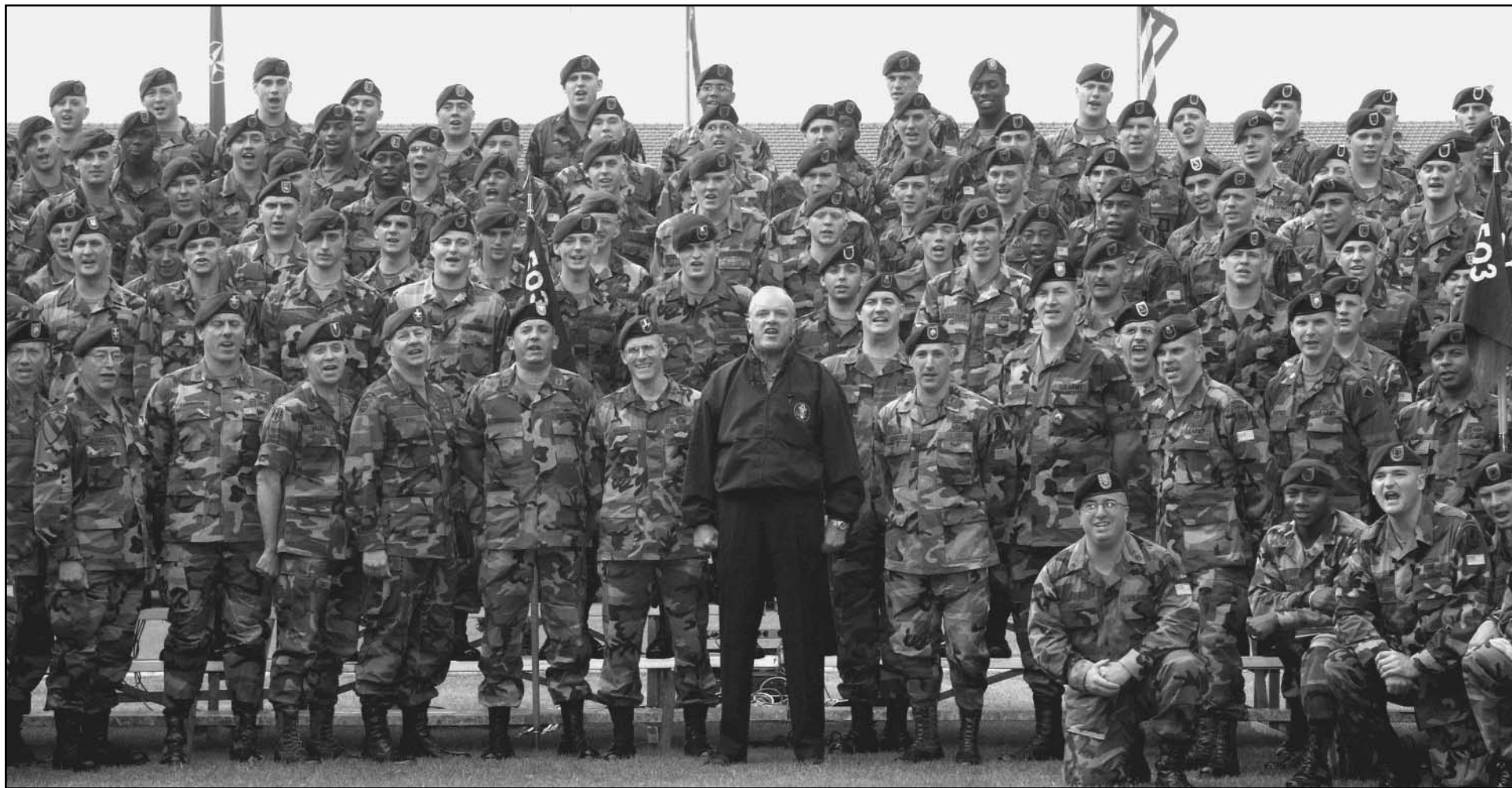
For information, call (719) 687-9098.



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## *Spending time on the slopes ...*

Skiing is just one of many winter activities in Colorado. Starting in November, the Information, Tickets and Registration office, located in the Outdoor Recreation building on Specker Avenue., will sell discount tickets to several Colorado ski resorts. Outdoor Rec. also has equipment rentals available to save soldiers from having to pay for skis and equipment rentals at the resorts.



Courtesy photo

## *Go Army, beat Navy ...*

The Secretary of the Army Thomas E. White and soldiers stationed in Vencenza, Italy, shoot a "Go Army, Beat Navy" promo during his trip to Italy Sept. 18. White toured U.S. Army Europe Sept. 13 to 18. The annual Army vs. Navy football game is scheduled for Dec. 7. The Army vs. Navy game is one of the biggest rivalries in college athletics.



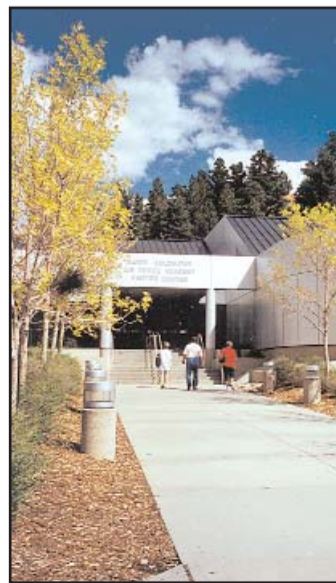
Courtesy photo

## *Basketball season on the way ...*

As the weather turns cold again, one thing comes to the mind of sports fans ... basketball.

Intermural Sports Director Al Gambala said that intermural basketball teams should be getting ready for the season and preparing to sign up.

Along with the intermural games, there will be an All-Star basketball game Oct. 27 at the Post Physical Fitness Center. Watch for an more information about the game in next week's *Mountaineer*.



Places to see in the Pikes Peak area.  
Oct. 18, 2002



Story and photos  
by Nel Lampe  
Mountaineer staff

Visitors look at the Air Force Academy's Cadet Chapel. The chapel is one of the Academy's most visited sites.

The Air Force Academy is one of Colorado's top tourist attractions — drawing nearly a million visitors a year. It's the nation's third service academy and is just a few miles north of Colorado Springs.

The Academy is also the site of Division I-A football. The Academy plays in the Mountain West Conference, created in 1999. The Mountain West Conference includes Brigham Young, Colorado State University, New Mexico, the University of Nevada at Las Vegas, Wyoming, Utah and the Air Force Academy.

From the Air Force Academy's beginning, the football team made a name for itself. With only three seasons of football experience, the team

went to its first bowl, the Cotton Bowl in January 1959, playing Texas Christian University to a 0-0 tie. The year's standing was 9-1-1.

Football teams at the Air Force Academy are still making headlines, sometimes winning a league title, winning the Commander-in-Chief's trophy or listed in the top 20 college teams. The Falcons have defeated teams nobody believed they could — teams such as Brigham Young, Utah, Notre Dame and Washington.

The nearness of the Academy affords Mountain Post families the opportunity to attend first-class, Division I-A football games.

The undefeated Academy Falcons meet undefeated Notre Dame Saturday at Falcon Stadium. Colorado State University is at the Academy Oct. 31. The final home game is against San

Diego State Nov. 23, which is also Military Appreciation Day. Call 472-1895 for tickets.

Security measures for entrance to the stadium prohibit backpacks, coolers, bags larger than eight by 11 inches, soda cans and thermos bottles. Everyone is subject to search.

From the beginning, top-notch tailgate parties have been a tradition at the Air Force Academy. In fact, the tailgate parties have been recognized in Street and Smith Magazine.

The Academy has established a sort of tailgate party anyone can attend, called "Falcon Fun Fest." Part of every home game, there's a fest tent area filled with games and activities for all ages as well as food for sale. There's no fee to enter the fest tent area.

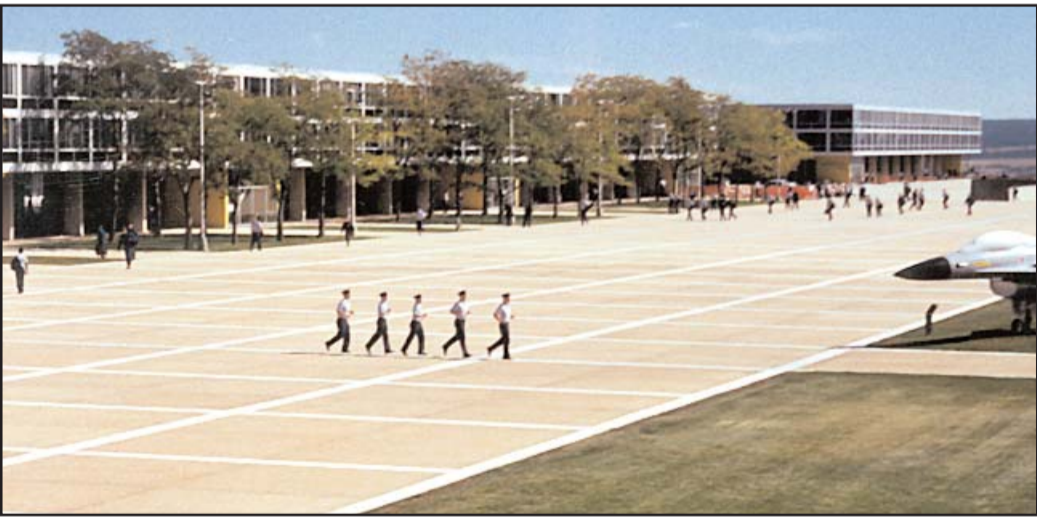
But Air Force Academy sports don't end with football. There are more than 20 sports played by Academy cadets.

The hockey schedule includes games with Army at the Academy Field House Jan. 18 and 19. Season tickets for the hockey games are \$45 for ages 3 to 18, and \$90 for adults for all 19 games. Call the ticket office at 472-1895. Other top sports include men's and women's basketball and soccer.

But there's more to see at the Air Force Academy than sports.

Tourists and local visitors can take a self-guided tour of the Academy. Visitors can enter the Academy grounds between 8 a.m. and 6 p.m. by showing a driver's license or military ID card. Occasionally, security concerns tighten and tourists aren't admitted, but a Department of Defense registered car and drivers with a military ID card are admitted.

Enter the south gate entrance, Interstate 25, Exit 150B. Ask the security officer at the gate for a visitor map. Proceed along Southgate Boulevard and make your first stop at



Air Force Academy cadets do double-time across the Terrazzo.



A glider, such as the one used by cadets in airmanship training, is displayed in the Air Force Academy's visitor center.

## Academy

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the Thunderbird Airmanship Overlook, Stop 7 on the self-guide map. From this stop visitors may also observe the flying field. Depending on weather and time of year, you may see parachutists or gliders. Nearby is an A-10 Thunderbolt II, also known as a “Chopper Popper.”

The next stop should be the visitor center. The visitor center is eight miles from the South Gate entrance. If you didn’t get the tour map at the gate, pick up one at the visitor center.

The visitor center, named for Senator Barry Goldwater, an avid supporter of the Academy, houses a very extensive gift shop. The visitor center is open daily from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A 14-minute video about the Academy is shown every half-hour in the visitor center theater.

The Academy’s construction, history, a glider and admission information are displayed.

The visitor center gift shop has a huge selection of Air Force and Air Force Academy memorabilia, such as sweatshirts, T-shirts, caps, statuettes, books, games, model aircraft, helmets, flags, key rings, postcards, blankets and magnets. Military ID card holders receive a 10 percent discount on gift shop purchases.

The visitor center has a food court, with a Subway open from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. and a Church’s Chicken, which is open from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m. The food court seats 200.

After the visitor center, the next stop should



**A statue of Gen. “Hap” Arnold, General of the Army and General of the Air Force, stands in front of Arnold Hall at the Air Force Academy.**



**The Thunderbird Overlook provides a view of airfield activities. Nearby is an A-10 aircraft, known as the “Chopper Popper.”**

be the unique, spired, aluminum chapel. The Cadet Chapel is usually open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Saturday. It is open on Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m.; but is occasionally closed for private services.

The Cadet Chapel has a Protestant Chapel, a Catholic Chapel, a Jewish Chapel and an all-faiths chapel.

A one-third mile nature trail leads from the visitor center to the chapel. Or, visitors can drive a short distance to the cadet area — take a right when leaving the visitor center then the next right. Parking is allowed along the road but is limited. There are parking lots nearby, but are usually full on work days. Barriers around the chapel, Fairchild Hall and Arnold Hall prohibit parking close to the buildings. Walk to the chapel and if time permits, go inside. If it’s close to 11:30 a.m., join the crowds at the overlook beside the chapel and watch the noon formation. During the school year, Monday through Friday, September through May, the Cadet Wing has a lunch formation at 11:35 a.m. The best place to watch the formation is beside the Cadet Chapel.

After the noon formation and chapel visit, visitors may want to walk through the honor court, behind Harmon Hall and Arnold Hall, where statues honor Women’s Air Service Pilots, Tuskegee Airmen and several Army Air Corps aircraft from World War II.

Nearby is Arnold Hall, the Cadet Social Center, has a ballroom, theater, a Taco Bell, Godfather’s and Subway. The food outlets are open from 8 a.m. until 10 p.m.

The theater lobby has several historic displays, such as Women in the Air Force, an Eisenhower exhibit, a Tuskegee Airmen exhibit, a Prisoner of War Exhibit and the personal collection of Gen. Hap Arnold, for whom Arnold Hall is named. Arnold, who once served as General of the Army, also served as General of the Air Force when the Air Force was created as a separate service.

Arnold Hall Theater is also home to the Academy Concert Season, which this year includes “South Pacific,” Nov. 2, “Aeros,” Feb. 8, “Swing,” March 29, and Lee Greenwood and Sandi Patty, April 12. Stop by the box office in Arnold Hall or call 333-4497.

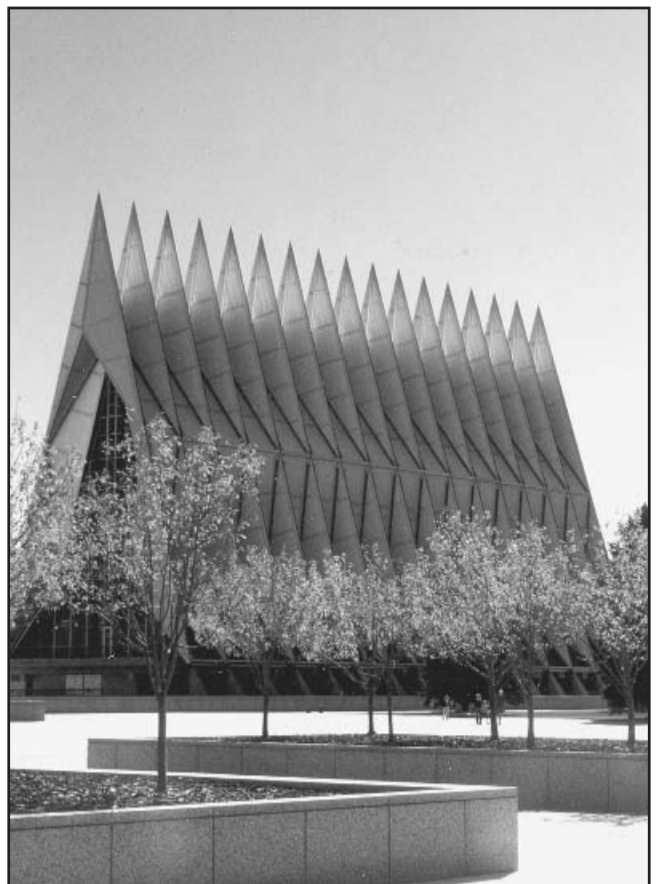
If time permits, visitors may want to stop by the field house, the athletic fields and Falcon Stadium.

Near the North Gate there’s a B-52, “Diamond Lil,” on static display.

These stops are marked on the tour map.

The Air Force Academy came about as a movement was started to establish a service school similar to West Point and Annapolis after the Air Force was created as a separate service in 1947.

In 1954 President Dwight D. Eisenhower



**The Cadet Chapel is popular with visitors.**



**A B-52 is displayed near the North Gate at the Air Force Academy.**

authorized the establishment of an Air Force Academy and a commission sought a location. More than 600 potential sites were studied and the commission narrowed possibilities to three sites, then chose the site north of Colorado Springs. While construction was under way, Lowry Air Force Base in Aurora served as the temporary academy. Lowry served three years as the temporary academy, moving to the permanent 18,000-acre campus in time for the first class to complete its senior year. The 1959 class had 207 graduates.

The Air Force Academy is also an Air Force base and has the usual facilities — a gas station, Burger King, base exchange, commissary, a community center chapel, a hospital, a club, base housing and schools.

The visitor center is about eight miles after entering the South Gate; follow the signs. If you enter the North Gate, it is about four miles. Pick up a self-guided map at either gate or at the visitor center. The Air Force Academy is accessed from Exit 150B off I-25 north, about 15 miles north of Fort Carson. The North Gate is at Exit 156B.

### Just the Facts

- **Travel time** 30 minutes
- **For ages** all
- **Type** service academy
- **Fun factor** ★★★★★ (Out of 5 stars)
- **Wallet damage** free

\$ = Less than \$20

\$\$ = \$21 to \$40

(Based on a family of four)

## Get Out!

### Haunted Houses

**Demented Journey Haunted House** is at JoyRides Family Fun Center, 5150 Edison Ave. There's also a Corn Maze and Tormented Trail open Mondays to Thursdays, from 3 to 8 p.m., Fridays from noon to midnight, Saturdays from noon to 10 p.m. and Sundays from noon to 7 p.m. Admission for the house is \$10, the Maze admission is \$5 and the haunted trail is \$7. Or, buy the creep combo deal and see all three for \$18. Call 573-5500 for information about "no scare" show dates.

**"Mind Seizure Haunted House"** is at 3999 N. Academy Blvd., behind the NAPA store. Tickets are \$11, and it is open Thursdays and Sundays from 7 to 10 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays from 7 to 11 p.m. Call 570-1155.

**"Halloween Fest"** is open Thursdays through Sundays from 7 to 11 p.m., and is at Rustic Hills Plaza, at Academy and Palmer Park. Tickets start at \$8. For more information go online at [www.halloweennation.com](http://www.halloweennation.com).

**"House of Fear"** is at the Youth Outreach Center, 1801 N. Union Blvd., 6 to 10 p.m. except Fridays and Saturdays, it is open until 11 p.m. Tickets start at \$5; phone 633-9660.

A **"Fright Tour"** of the City Auditorium is today, Saturday and Sunday and Oct. 29 to 31, from 6:30 to 10 p.m. Admission is \$12 and parental guidance is recommended. Call 578-6652 for information.

**"Haunted Hearthstone"** is 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 31 only. Admission is \$5 for anyone older than 13, and \$2.50 for those younger. Call 473-4413 for information. The address is 506 N. Cascade Ave.

**Jack's House of Horror**, in the Mission Trace Shopping Center at Academy and Hancock, from 6:15 to 10 p.m. weekdays, until 11 p.m. on weekends, today, Saturday, Sunday and Oct. 23 to 31. Admission is \$9.

### Other Halloween Activities

**Rock Ledge Ranch holds an Old-Time Halloween Party** from noon until 4 p.m. Oct.

27. Old fashioned halloween activities and games are on the agenda, along with cider making. Entrance is \$5 for adults and children under 12 in costume will be admitted free. Call 578-6777 for information.

**Emma Crawford Coffin Races** are Oct. 26 in downtown Manitou Springs, beginning at 10 a.m. with a children's fun run and a five-kilometer run at 10:30 p.m. The traditional Coffin Race begins at 12:30 p.m. with a media heat, followed by a coffin parade at 1 p.m., and the Coffin Races are at 1:30 p.m. It's free.

**"Emma's Favorite Haunts"** is a lantern-lit walking tour in which visitors meet the ghosts of Manitou Springs. Tours are 45 minutes long and start every 15 minutes at 515 Manitou Ave., from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Oct. 26. Tickets are \$9 and should be purchased in advance at the Chamber of Commerce, 3564 Manitou Ave., 685-5089.

**"Grave Undertakings — Manitou's Dirt and the People Below It."** The 30-minute walking tour of the cemetery costs \$6 and tours begin at 6 p.m., Oct. 25. Tours are every 15 minutes and start at 515 Manitou Ave. This tour typically sells out; buy tickets in advance at the Chamber of Commerce, 354 Manitou Ave. Call 685-5089.

**Super Safe Halloween Extravaganza** is held at the Southeast Family Center/Armed Services YMCA. It's a fun event for YMCA members and military families from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Oct. 31. Games, prizes, candy and snacks; entrance fee is 50 cents. Children are encouraged to wear costumes.

The Colorado Springs Symphony presents **"Family Fun Series: Halloween Spooktacular,"** which begins at 1:30 p.m. at the Pikes Peak Center, with lobby activities. Spine-tingling music begins at 2:30 p.m. Costumes are encouraged. Call 633-6698 for tickets or go online at [cssymphony.org](http://cssymphony.org).

An Imagination Celebration event is **"The Haunted Orchestra"** Sunday at the Pikes Peak Center, 190 S. Cascade. Dan Kamin, a mime, and the Colorado Springs Youth Symphony perform a comedy concerto at the Pikes Peak Center, 190 S. Cascade. Admission is \$9. Call 520-SHOW.

**"Boo at the Zoo,"** is Friday, Saturday and Sunday and Oct. 25 to 27 at Cheyenne Mountain Zoo. Admission is \$5 for ages 3 to 65 and \$3 for Zoo members. Bring a flashlight and enjoy a

safe Halloween. Buy tickets in advance and take the free bus shuttle from Sears' parking lot just off Highway 115. Hours for Boo are 5:30 to 8 p.m.

### Football season

**The Air Force Academy football schedule** continues with a home game against Notre Dame, Saturday and Colorado State University, Oct. 31. The last home game is San Diego State, Nov. 23, and is military appreciation day. Call 472-1895 for tickets.

### Melodrama

**"Yo Ho Ho and a Barrel of Fun"** is the melodrama at Iron Springs Chateau Fridays and Saturdays. Dinner is at 6 p.m., show at 8 p.m., 444 Ruxton Ave., in Manitou Springs. Show and dinner are \$23; or see only the show for \$12. Call 685-5104.

**"Unhand Her, You Villain"** and **"Not my Cup of Tea"** is at the Castaways Dinner Theater, 107 Manitou Ave., in Manitou Springs. Dinner and show are \$35; show only \$20. Call 685-3700.

### Air Force Academy Concerts

**The Air Force Academy Concert Series** for the upcoming season includes "South Pacific," Nov. 2, "Aeros," Feb. 8, "Swing," March 29, and Lee Greenwood and Sandi Patty, April 12. Call the Arnold Hall Theater box office at 333-4497.

### Cinderella

**"Cinderella,"** by Rodgers and Hammerstein, is at 2 and 8 p.m. Nov. 3 at the Pikes Peak Center, 190 S. Cascade. Tickets start at \$25; call 520-SHOW.

### Man of La Mancha

**"Man of La Mancha,"** is in the Colorado Springs Fine Arts Center theater through Oct. 30, Fridays and Saturdays at 7 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$25; call the box office at 634-5583.

### Fine Arts Center

**The Fine Arts Center's World Horizons Travel Film Series** has "The Magic of Malaysia" Oct. 27 and 28 at 2 p.m. Admission is \$7 with tickets available at the door. Upcoming films are "Cuba at the Crossroads" Nov. 24 and 25; Hawaii and Tahiti Jan 5 and 6, "In Search of the Albino" March 9 and 10, and "Australia" April 13 and 14. The center is at 30 W. Dale St.

# Happenings



Photo by Nel Lampe

## *Ride the train ...*

**The Royal Gorge Route railroad is half-price for El Paso County residents through November. The train runs Saturdays and Sundays at noon. Call (888) RAILS4U. Soldiers should present their ID card and state they are at Fort Carson.**



Program Schedule for Fort Carson cable Channel 10, today to Oct. 25.

Army Newswatch: includes stories on Operation Alamo Sweep, e-Cbyermission and the Army-level NCO/Soldier of the Year competition. Airls at 7:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

Navy/Marine Corps News: special U.S. Navy birthday edition. Airls at 8 a.m., 1 p.m., 8 p.m. and 1 a.m.

Air Force News: includes stories on Operation Enduring Freedom, civilianizing the AWACS mission and new Air Force name tags and insignias. Airls at 8:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m. and 1:30 a.m.

Channel 9 daily broadcasts SCOLA, foreign

language news broadcasts. Access the schedule at the Fort Carson Web site.

If you have comments on Channel 10 programming or wish to coordinate a broadcast on Channel 10, please contact Chief of Command Information at 526-1241 or via e-mail at

[CommandInfo@carson.army.mil](mailto:CommandInfo@carson.army.mil).

Program times will be published in the *Mountaineer* provided coordination is made one week prior to publication.

If you wish to have a training videotape shown on Channel 9 only, contact the Regional Training Support Center at 526-5111.

For additions to the Community Calendar, please submit an e-mail or clean, typewritten copy of the information to the Public Affairs Office, room 2180, 6151 Specker Ave., Fort Carson, CO 80913-5119 or fax information to 526-1021 no later than the Friday before airing time.